The Bombay Gazette

No. 10,937—NEW SERIES. BOMBAY:—SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1883.

SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

THROUGH TICKETS from BOMBAY to LONDON via Brindisi, including the Continental Railway Fare via Modane and Paris, will shortly be issued in Bombay, Calcutta and Madras, at the following rates:—

First class.....Rs. 750.
Second class.....Rs. 400.

Return Tickets to and from London by the same route:—

AVAILABLE FOR THREE MONTHS.
First class.....Rs. 1,150.
Second class.....Rs. 600.

AVAILABLE FOR SIX MONTHS.
First class.....Rs. 1,250.
Second class.....Rs. 740.

The journey from Bombay to London by this route occupies 18 days.

F. D. PARKER,
Superintendent.

N B.—The above arrangement will commence as soon as Quarantine is removed at Brindisi.
Bombay, 21st November, 1883.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

STEAM to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, PLYMOUTH, LONDON, BRINDISI, VENICE, TRIESTE, AND MARSEILLES.

PROGRAMME OF DEPARTURES.

1883 Date	Steamer	Tons	H. P.	Captain. FRIDAY.
L. 21st Dec.	Verona	3116	600	G. W. Atkinson
— 28th „	Bokhara....	2932	500	H. Weigheil
1884				
L. 4th Jan.	Nepaul	3536	600	H. Wyatt.
— 11th „	Lombardy .	2726	500	W. H. Mudie.
L. 18th „	Kaisar-I-Hind	4023	700	E. G. Stead.
— 25th „	Gwalior.....	2733	500	M. de Horne.
L. 1st Feb.	Pekin.....	3900	600	A. Symons.
— 8th „	Surat.....	3142	530	C. R. Edwards.
L. 15th „	Hydaspes....	2284	500	G. Scrivener.
— 22nd „	Venetia....	2726	500	A. B. Daniell.
L. 29th „	Brindisi....	3542	550	J. Reeves.
— 7th Mar.	Cathay.....	2983	500	W. M. Robbie.
L. 14th „	Assam.....	3038	500	S. F. Cole.
— 21st „	Lombardy..	2726	500	W. H. Mudie.
L. 28th „	Ganges.....	4106	750	W. B. Andrews.
— 4th April	Bokhara....	2932	500	H. Weigheil.
L. 11th „	Clyde.....	4124	750	E. M. Edmond.
— 18th „	Surat.....	3142	530	C. R. Edwards.
L. 25th „	Sutlej.....	4194	750	A. H. Johnson.
— 2nd May	Gwalior....	2733	500	M. de Horne.
L. 9th „	Thames.....	4171	750	W. D. Anderson.
— 16th „	Cathay.....	2983	500	W. M. Robbie.
L. 23rd „	Rohilla.....	3500	700	W. Barratt.
— 27th „	Venetia....	2726	500	A. B. Daniell.

L. Through steamers to London.

The steamers marked L proceed direct to London calling at Plymouth. By the others passengers change vessels at Suez.

A steam-barge will leave the Company's Dockyard, Mazagon, at 3 p. m., on the day of sailing to convey passengers on board.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, STRAITS, CHINA, JAPAN AND AUSTRALIA.

Vessels.	Tons. H.P.	Captains.	On	1883.
ASSAM.....	3041 500	S. F. Cole	..	25th Dec.

Return Tickets are now issued at greatly reduced rates to all ports, for particulars of which apply to

F. D. PARKER,
Superintendent, P. & O. S. N. Company.
Bombay, November 6, 1883.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA
FLORIO & RUBATTINO'S
UNITED COMPANIES
(UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT.)

THE Regular Mail-steamers leave GENOA and BOMBAY on the 24th and on the 1st of each month, calling at LEGHORN, NAPLES, MESSINA, CATANIA, PORT SAID, SUEZ, ADEN and *vice versa*.

PASSENGERS' RATES FROM BOMBAY

To all Ports of Italy.			To Marseilles.		
I Class ..£ 500	Including		I Class ..£ 520	Including	
II do.... „ 340	wines.		II do.... „ 360	wines.	
III do.... „ 150	With food.		III do. 155	With food.	

Children under 3 years, free; under 10 years, half fare.
Passengers' heavy Baggage will be delivered in LONDON, FREE OF CHARGE to the extent allowed in the Hand-books.
A discount of 35, 30, and 10 per cent. is allowed to Passengers returning within three, six and twelve months respectively from the date of LANDING.
The following or other first-class Steamers will leave Bombay:—
S. S. SINGAPORE, to sail on or about the 15th Dec. 1883
S. S. RAFFAELE RUBATTINO on Tuesday 1st Jan. 1884
S. S. MANILA, on Friday..... 1st Feb. „
S. S. CHINA, on Saturday..... 1st Mar. „
Passengers and heavy baggage are carried on board, free of charge, by the Company's steam launch, leaving Apollo-bunder between 10 and 11 a.m.
Through Railway Tickets to London, available for 17 days.

From Genoa,	I Class	Calais Route,	£ 95	Brighton Route	£ 80
„	II do.	do.	„ 70	do.	„ 58
From Naples,	I do.	do.	„ 145	do.	„ 130
„	II do.	do.	„ 105	do.	„ 13

For Hand-books of Information, rates of Freight, &c., apply to

F. BOZZONI,
Agent,
Sassoon House, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay.
Bombay, November 2, 1883.

CIE NATIONALE DE NAVIGATION.
REGULAR MONTHLY STEAMERS TO MARSEILLES.

THE new first-class steamer CHANDERNAGOR, 2,700 tons register, 400 horse-power, will LEAVE BOMBAY for MARSEILLES direct on the 20th December. She carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
First class to Marseilles, Rs. 500 including wines.
Children under 3 years, free. Under 10, half fare.
The Railway fares from Marseilles to London are as follows:—
Via Calais and Dover (Mail)..... 1st class £ 7 5 0
Via Dieppe ..... 1st class „ 5 18 1
Passengers' heavy luggage will be delivered in London free of charge to the extent allowed by the passage ticket.
For further particulars, apply to

RALLI BROTHERS,
Agents.
Bombay, 21st June, 1883.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S S. N. Co.

REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS
BETWEEN BOMBAY, BRINDISI, AND TRIESTE, *VIA* CANAL.

Steamers.	Captains.	Tons.	H.P.	To sail 1884.
MEDUSA .....G. Ragusin.....		3,500	550	28th Dec.

ORION.....G. Mahorcich..	3,500	500	28th Jan.
TITANIA (new)....G. Marussig....	4,000	600	28th Feb.
PANDORA.....G. Sturli.....	3,500	550	29th Mar.
BERENICE.....P. Crillovich....	3,500	550	29th Apl.
MEDUSA.....G. Ragusin.....	3,500	550	29th May.

A Surgeon and Stewardess on board of every Steamer.

RATE OF PASSAGE MONEY.

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	Deck.
TO TRIESTE OR BRINDISI..	Rs. 500	Rs. 300	Rs. 130

RETURN TICKETS are now issued available for SIX months at the following rates:—

	1st Class.	2nd Class.
TRIESTE OR BRINDISI.....	Rs. 500	Rs. 480

Above rates include Wines supplied at meals.

Steamers for BOMBAY leave TRIESTE on the 1st and BRINDISI on the 3rd of each month.
The Company's steam launch will be in attendance at the Apollo-bunder on the day of sailing to convey passengers and their luggage to the steamer, free of charge.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, PENANG, SINGAPORE AND HONGKONG.

Steamers.	Captains.	Tons.	HP.	To sail. 1884.
TITANIA (new)....G. Marussig.....		4,000	600	27th Dec.

PANDORA.....G. Sturli.....	3,500	550	29th Jan.
BERENICE.....P. Crillovich....	3,500	550	29th Feb.
MEDUSA.....G. Ragusin.....	3,500	550	29th Mar.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.
INSURANCES effected by the General Insurance Company (Limited), Marine Branch.
For further particulars, Freight, Passage, &c., &c., apply to

J. JANNI, Agent.
Sassoon House, 50, Church-gate-street, Bombay, Nov 20, 1883.

HALL LINE OF STEAMERS.
BOMBAY AND LIVERPOOL
CALLING AT MALTA.

THE following Sailings have been arranged:—

	Tons.	H.P.	1884.
S. S. WISTOW HALL....	2,700	400	3rd January.
S. S. SPEKE HALL.....	2,700	400	12th „
S. S. WERNETH HALL..	4,100	500	To follow.
S. S. MERTON HALL....	4,100	500	„
S. S. RYDAL HALL.....	2,700	400	„

These fast steamers have been specially built and adapted in every way for the Bombay Trade.
Each Steamer carries a SURGEON and STEWARDESS.
For Plans, Handbooks of Information, and other particulars as to Passage, apply to EDWARD BATES & Co., and KING, KING and Co.

CARGO.

N.B.—Cargo is carried via Liverpool on favourable terms on through Bills of Lading to London, Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, Antwerp, Ghent, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Dunkirk, New York, Boston, and Philadelphia.
The shipment of packages from up-country by this line is also undertaken.

EDWARD BATES & Co.,
Agents.
33, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, December 6, 1883.

SHIPPING.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (LIMITED)
Intend to despatch Steamers as follows:—

FOR COAST AND CALCUTTA.

S. S. "MALDA," 1,945 tons, on WEDNESDAY, 19th December, 1883, at 4 p.m., calling at Rutnagherry, Vingorla, Goa, Carwar, Mangalore, Cannanore, Tellicherry, Calicut, Beypore, Cochin, Alleppey, Tuticorin, Colombo, Negapatam, Madras, Coconada, Vizagapatam, Bimlipatam, Gopaulpore and False Point. Ports are called at in the foregoing or any order, weather permitting.

FOR KURRACHEE AND PERSIAN GULF.

S. S. "ARABIA," 1,080 tons, on TUESDAY, 18th December, 1883, at 4 p.m., calling at Kurrachee, Gwadur, Muscat, Jask, Bunder Abbas, Lingah, Bushire, Fao, and Busreh, in the foregoing or any order, weather permitting.

FOR ADEN, ZANZIBAR AND MOZAMBIQUE.

S. S. "JAVA," 1,465 tons, on 3rd January, 1884.

FOR CUTCH MANDAVIE AND KURRACHEE.

S. S. "PACHUMBA," 867 tons, on SATURDAY, 22nd December, 1883, at 10 a.m.

MACKINNON MACKENZIE & Co.,
Bombay, 14th December, 1883. Agents

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WE guarantee this WATCH to be thoroughly water, and therefore also dust-proof. May be kept going under water for a number of days without its taking the slightest injury. No watch sold unless tried under water for at least 2 days. A few of these Watches may be seen going completely under water at our establishment. The Watch is KEYLESS and in white metal case. Price Rs. 35 cash.

FAVRE-LEUBA & Co., Bombay.

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THE following sailings have been ARRANGED:—S.S. CLAN DRUMMOND, 3,000 tons, 100 A. 1, Commander Rose, WILL SAIL for LIVERPOOL on or about the 15th instant; s. s. CLAN GRANT, 3,600 tons, 100 A 1, Commander Campbell, WILL SAIL for LONDON on or about the 29th inst.

Passage money..... Rs. 450.

For further particulars, apply to

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Bombay, 12th December, 1883.

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Double the strength of ordinary black Powder, 46 grains full charges for a 12-bore gun.
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6 Inches.....	Rs. 11-0	Cash
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THIS brand, pronounced to be the finest of all the Preserves made from BITTER ORANGES, like the Jams prepared by this
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Has preference over all other kinds.
1 lb. tins 6 As., 2 lb. tins 11 As., cash.

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GOLD AND SILVER
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Plain, Fluted, Engine-turned, and Engraved; Slide, Spiral, double, and spring mounts; with or without Attachment Ring.
From Rs. 4-8, Silver, to Rs. 100, Gold, Cash.

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Complete pocket Sets of Instruments, mounted in buffalo-horn handles in folding morocco case	40	0
Veterinary Clyster Syringe and Stomach Pump with pipe for Sheep and Dogs, &c., in mahogany case	36	0
Ditto. ditto. with tobacco fumigator and Horse Catheter, in mahogany case	50	0

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				Cash Prices. Rs. a.
No. 1 containing 7	White Stoppered Bottles.	9½ by 5¼ by 2¼ inches.		27 0
„ 2 „ 9		10½ by 6½ by 2½	„	32 0
„ 3 „ 10		7½ by 5¼ by 4½	„	38 0
„ 4 „ 15		10½ by 6 by 4½	„	50 0
„ 5 „ 19		12 by 7 by 5½	„	65 0

MAHOGANY.

				Rs. a.
No. 6 containing 16	White Stoppered Bottles.	8½ by 7½ by 6½ inches.		55 0
„ 7 „ 20		9½ by 8½ by 6½	„	68 0
„ 8 „ 20		9½ by 9 by 6½	„	75 0
„ 9 „ 20		12½ by 8½ by 6½	„	95 0
„ 10 „ 14		9½ by 6½ by 5½	„	50 0
„ 11 „ 19		12½ by 8 by 5½	„	75 0
„ 12 „ 21		12 by 8 by 6½	„	80 0
„ 13 „ 23		9 by 7½ by 11	„	90 0
„ 14 „ 27		14½ by 12½ by 8	„	120 0

DEAL GRAINED OAK.

				Rs. a.
No. 15 containing 64	Green Stoppered Bottles.	16½ by 12½ by 10½ inches.		100 0
„ 16 „ 34		18½ by 10 by 11	„	90 0

POLISHED OAK.

				Rs. a.
No. 17 containing 26	Green Stoppered Bottles.	12½ by 8 by 9½ inches.		70 0
„ 18 „ 21		13 by 10 by 9	„	65 0
„ 19 „ 21		12½ by 9½ by 7	„	54 0

JAPANNED TIN.

				Rs. a.
No. 20 containing 9	White Stoppered Bottles.	10½ by 6½ by 2½ inches.		36 0

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Biscuits,	Dessert Fruits,	Jams,	Plum Pudding,	Teas,
Butter,	Flavours,	Jellies,	Potted Meats,	Tongues, and
Cheese,	Fish,	Marmalades,	Sauces,	Vegetables.
Chocolates,	Fresh Meats,	Mince Meat,	Sausages,	
Cocoas,	Game,	Pates,	Soups,	

FOR THE DESSERT TABLE,

THE NEW SEASON'S CRYSTALLIZED FRUITS.

Apricots,	Cherries,	Gold Chinois,	Strawberries,	White Pears,
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China Preserves,	French Plums,	Peel Chips,	
Butter, Scotch,	Liqueur Comfits,	Peel Chips & Rings,	

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JOSI DEWJEE LADHA.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY CO.

THE Agent is prepared to receive TENDERS for PAINTING and DECORATING the IRON ROOFS of the New Bombay Terminus.

Specifications and Conditions of Contract may be seen on application at the Chief Engineer's Office on and after Monday, the 17th instant, where also forms of tender may be obtained.

Tenders on these forms only endorsed "Tender for painting and decorating iron roofs of the new Bombay Terminus" addressed to the Agent, G. I. P. Railway Company, will be received at his office up to 1 p.m. (gunfire) on SATURDAY, the 5th January next.

No notice will be taken of any tender unless it is accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 500 in cash or Government Paper as a guarantee of the good faith of the tenderer.

The Agent does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

WILSON BELL,
Chief Engineer.
Chief Engineer's Office, Bombay, 14th December, 1883.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the TRANSFER-BOOKS of the Corporation will be CLOSED from 13th to 26th instant, both days inclusive, and that the DIVIDEND will be PAYABLE on and after the 21st December, 1883.

By order of the Board of Directors,
WALLACE & CO.,
Secretaries, Treasurers and Managers.
Bombay, 12th December, 1883.

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BENN, ASHLEY & Co., Agents.

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The scale for these Advertisements is as follows:—Not exceeding 3 lines Re. 1; each succeeding line, As. 8. No trade advertisements are admitted under this scale.

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OYSTERS.—Apollo Bunder. The undersigned beg to inform the Public that the Oyster season has now fairly commenced.—GREEN AND READ, Dining Rooms, Apollo Bunder.

WANTED an EXPERIENCED CORRESPONDENCE CLERK; must write a good hand and be quick at figures. Apply personally with copies of testimonials to TREACHER and Co. (Ld.), Byculla.

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HIGH FLASHING KEROSINE-OIL, "Snowflake" brand, 150° test, price Rs. 5 per case with patent high screw tops. A small consignment recently arrived. Apply GODOWNKEEPER, Messrs. WALLACE & Co.

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FIVE hundred thousand pounds was paid last year under STANDARD LIFE Policies in respect of DEATH claims. The accumulated Fund amounts to Six Millions Sterling invested only in unexceptionable Securities, and the Revenue is £800,000 per annum.

FOR SALE, A COLLECTION OF LEGISLATIVE ACTS, comprising Sea Customs Act, Customs Tariff Act, Indian Arms Act, The Opium Act, The Bombay Salt Act, The Salt Act, The Stamp Act, The Indian Port Act, The Native Passenger Ships Act, The Abkari Act, Periodical Survey of Steam Vessels Act, The Steam Vessel Survey Amendment Act, and the Bombay Port Trust Act. Price, Rs. 5, interleaved, Rs. 6-8.—Apply to the *Bombay Gazette* Office.

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SALES BY AUCTION.

SADANUND SHRICRISTNAJEE AND CO.

SALE OF ENGLISH COAL.

On WEDNESDAY, the 19th instant, Messrs. S. SHRICRISTNAJEE & Co. will sell by Public Auction at Malet Bunder at 3 p.m., by order of Messrs. Bhowanjee Shunker & Co. and on account and at the risk of Messrs. Richardson and Cruddas,

50 tons steam coal.
25 per cent. require at the time of sale.

SADANUND SHRICRISTNAJEE & CO.
Bombay, 15th December, 1883.

NOTICES.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the members of the Chamber of Commerce will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 19th instant, at 3-30 p.m., at the offices of the Chamber, to receive the report of the outgoing Committee, and to discuss any other questions that may be brought forward.

By order of the Committee,
J. GORDON,
Secretary.
Bombay Chamber of Commerce, December 11, 1883.

THE BOMBAY TELEPHONE COMPANY, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND for the half year ending 9th September, 1883, of Re. 1 per share has been declared, and made payable on and after the 15th December, 1883; to shareholders whose names were on the Company's register on the 1st December, 1883.

Shareholders are requested to produce their share certificates when applying for Dividend, and those residing in the Mofussil are desired to send their share certificates to some constituted Agent in Bombay to collect their Dividend for them.

By order,
BENN, ASHLEY & CO.,
Secretaries and Agents.

NOTICE.—No. 5,694.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Director of the Indian Marine, up to noon on MONDAY, the 7th January, 1884, for the supply for one year by contract of ARTICLES of PROVISIONS for the use of the Indian Government Vessels in Bombay.

2. Tenders will not be received after the hour named, and each Tender before being opened must be accompanied by a receipt from the Bank of Bombay for the amount required to be deposited.

3. Tender forms can be had at this office, and should be superscribed, "Tender for the supply of articles of Provisions for the use of Indian Government vessels at Bombay."

J. HEXT, Captain, R. N.,
Director of the Indian Marine.
I. G. Dockyard, Bombay, 16th Nov. 1883.

THE SHOLAPOOR SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Sholapoor Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited, will be held at the registered Office of the Company No. 2, Church Lane, Fort, on SATURDAY, the 15th day of December, inst. at 3 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of considering the subject of the extension of the said Mill and passing the following special resolution:—

"That this meeting sanction the extension of the Sholapoor Mill by adding so many Spindles and Looms (not exceeding 10,000 Spindles and 100 Looms) as the Directors may consider advisable, and that the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to make such increase accordingly, and for that purpose to make all such additions and alterations in the mill building and premises at Sholapoor as may be necessary or expedient."

By Order of the Board,
MORARJEE GOCULDAS & Co.,
Bombay, Dec. 7, 1883. Agents.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY COMPANY.

THE Agent is prepared to receive at the Company's Offices, Elphinstone Circle, up to 1 p.m. (gunfire) on WEDNESDAY, the 19th instant, TENDERS for the PURCHASE of any quantity of the following materials, viz:—

About 1,030 tons of best BESSEMER STEEL AXLES and abou 1599 tons of OLD IRON FISHPLATES.

The material is lying at Wari-bunder, and Locomotive Depot, Parel, where it can be seen on application.

Offers must specify the quantity required of each, and the rate per ton weighed over at Wari-bunder.

Delivery will be made by the Company into barges to be provided and placed by the Purchaser alongside the Bunder or Wharf.

The offers must specify the time within which delivery will be taken of the whole quantity tendered for, and the person whose Tender is accepted will be required to pay to the Company the price of each lot before delivery from time to time, but the whole quantity must be paid for within the time specified and above in the Tender.

The Agent does not bind himself to accept the highest or any offer.

ALFRED KING,
Storekeeper.
Storekeeper's Office, Parell, 11th December, 1883.

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NOTICE.
FROM THE DIRECTOR of the INDIAN MARINE.
No. 5693 of 1883-84.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Director of the Indian Marine, Bombay, up to noon of the 4th January 1884 for the supply by Contract of TONNAGE and LABOUR for LANDING, SHIPPING and TRANSPORTING COAL, COKE and STORES at Bombay for one year, from 1st April 1884 to 31st March 1885, or until the date of sanction by Government of new Contract for the year 1885-86.

2. Persons desirous of undertaking the Contract can obtain an application at the office of the Marine Storekeeper, printed form of Tender and Schedule, and any other information they may require connected with the Contract and the conditions the Tenderers must abide by to prevent their tender being treated as *informal*.

3. Tenders to be superscribed, "Tenders for the supply of Tonnage and Labour."

4. Tenders will not be received after the hour named.

5. Each Tender before being opened must be accompanied by a receipt from the Bank of Bombay for Rs. 2,000 (two thousand) required as deposit.

6. No reason will be assigned by Government for rejection of any tender.

J. HEXT, Captain, R. N.,
Director of the Indian Marine.
I. G. Dockyard, Bombay, 16th Nov. 1883.

NOTICE.

OFFERS in writing will be received by the undersigned up to 1 o'clock p.m., gun-fire, on SATURDAY, 15th December, 1883, for the PURCHASE of the steam vessel "TRUSTY" now lying in Bombay harbour.

The dimensions of the vessel are as follows:—

	Ft. Ins.
Length	59 6
Breadth	11 3
Depth	6 10

And her capacity is 36-54 tons registered, she is fitted with Cooper's Patent 3 cylinder compound non-condensing screw Engines, of 20 H. P. nominal, with Patent vertical boiler and propeller, and was built in the Government Dockyard, of Malabar teak, in the year 1879, she is copper sheathed and copper fastened.

Tenders must be accompanied by a deposit of at least 25 per cent. of the sum offered, and the balance must be paid within 48 hours of acceptance of the Tender by the Port Trustees, and before delivery is taken.

No reason will be assigned for the non-acceptance of any offer.

HENRY MORLAND, late I. N., Captain,
Port Officer,
Port Office, Bombay, 30th November, 1883.

NOTICE.
FROM THE DIRECTOR of the INDIAN MARINE.
No. 5692 of 1883-84.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Director of the Indian Marine, Bombay, up to 12 noon of the 3rd January 1884 for the supply by Contract of "MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES" for one year from 1st April 1884 to 31st March 1885, or until the date of sanction by Government of new Contracts for the year 1885-86.

2. Printed form of Tender and Schedules of the articles to be supplied can be obtained at the office of the Marine Storekeeper. No Tender in any other form will be accepted. Tenderers must distinctly understand that any alteration or erasure in figures, &c., once entered in the three last columns of the Schedules, viz:—"Tendered rates," "Our" and "Amount at the tendered rates" or omission of totals will render the tender *informal* and lead to its rejection.

3. Tenders to be superscribed, "Tender for the supply of Miscellaneous articles."

4. Tenders will not be received after the hour named.

5. Parties may tender for one, or as many complete classes as they please, but not for a portion of a class.

6. Parties must show in the Schedules the rates, &c., at which they tender to supply, each and every article comprised in one or as many complete classes as they intend to tender for.

7. Tenders before being opened must be accompanied by a receipt from the Bank of Bombay for the amount required to be deposited as shown in the schedules.

8. Each Tenderer must be prepared to supply all articles equal to the samples produced by the Marine Storekeeper of this yard, which are sealed and kept in his office for their inspection, and to abide by the conditions specified in the form of Tender.

9. No reason will be assigned by Government for rejection of any tender.

10. Persons desirous of undertaking the Contract can obtain at the office of the Marine Storekeeper any further information they may require in connection with the Contract.

J. HEXT, Captain, R. N.,
Director of the Indian Marine.
I. G. Dockyard, Bombay, 16th Nov. 1883.

NOTICES.

GREAT WESTERN HOTEL,
FORT, BOMBAY,
WILL BE SHORTLY OPENED.

THE large and commodious building formerly known as the High Court, has been secured by the undersigned for the above Hotel. Each bed-room has a SEPARATE BATH-ROOM, and there will be ninety large and well ventilated bed-rooms. It is most centrally situated, close to the Bunders, Railway stations, Public and Mercantile offices, Banks, &c., and commands a magnificent view of the harbour. A well kept garden in rear of the Hotel is open to visitors.

JEEVANJEE AND CO.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY COMPANY.
COTTON WASTE.

TENDERS are invited for the supply of COTTON WASTE in three qualities required by the Company for twelve months commencing the first day of February next to be delivered from time to time in such quantities as may be required, the annual consumption averaging about 70 tons of No. 1, 20 tons of No. 2, and 30 tons of No. 3. Samples may be seen at the Storekeeper's Office, Parel.

Sealed Tenders endorsed "Tender for Cotton Waste," which must specify the rates per cwt. delivered at the Stores Depot, Parel, will be received by the Agent at the Company's Offices, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, up to 1 p.m. (gunfire) on WEDNESDAY, 19th December next, after which hour no Tender will be received.

No Tender will be received unless accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 1,000 in cash or Government Promissory Note, which must be handed in separately and not enclosed with Tender.

Five per cent. on the value of the contract will be required as security, one half to be deposited on signing the contract, and the remainder by 5 per cent. retentions from monthly payments.

The Agent does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

ALFRED KING,
Storekeeper.
Storekeeper's Office, Parel, 27th November 1883.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY COMPANY.
COCOANUT AND CASTOR OILS.

TENDERS are invited for the supply of COCOANUT and CASTOR OILS required by the Company for twelve months commencing the first day of February next, to be delivered from time to time, in such quantities as may be required, the annual consumption averaging about 470 tons of Cocoanut Oil, and 700 tons of Castor Oil. Samples may be seen at the Storekeeper's Office, Parel.

Sealed Tenders, endorsed "Tenders for Oil" and which must specify the rate per cwt. delivered at the Stores Depot, Parel, will be received by the Agent at the Company's Offices, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, up to 1 p.m. (gunfire) on WEDNESDAY, 19th December next, after which hour no Tender will be received.

No Tender will be received unless accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 1,000 in Cash or Government Promissory Note, which must be handed in separately, and not enclosed with Tender.

Five per cent. on the value of the contract will be required as security, one half to be deposited on signing the contract and the remainder by 5 per cent. retentions from monthly payments.

The Agent does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

ALFRED KING
Storekeeper.
Storekeeper's Office, Parel, 27th November, 1883

LIST of ESTATES to which LETTERS of ADMINISTRATION have been granted to the Administrator General or of Estates which have come under his charge:—

JAMES POWER, late clerk in the Goods Department, G.I.P. Railway, Bombay.
J. NAGGS, late Ticket Collector, G.I.P. Railway, Sukker.
MATHIAS PEREIRA, late of Bombay, Goanese Inhabitant.
JAMES ROLSTON, late a Fitter, G. I. P. Railway, Bhusawal.
HENRY HISS, late of Calcutta.
DAVID HALLIDAY, late Superintendent, School of Industry, Rutnagherry.
ANTHONY VINCENT VAZ, late a Goanese Inhabitant of Amraoti.
PAULGANESH RAO, late Native Student, St. John's Mission House, Mazagon.
CHARLES HENRY SEDDON, late a Lieut. in H. M.'s 9th Regt. B. N. I.
JOHN MAYBURY, late Engineer, Bechardas Spinning and Weaving Mill, Ahmedabad.
FRANCIS HASTING TOONE GORDON CUMMING, late a Major in the Bombay Staff Corps.

ALL persons having claims against, being indebted to or holding property belonging to the abovenamed estates are hereby required to state their claims, pay their debts and hand over such property to the undersigned forthwith. All claims must be sent to the undersigned at his office within one month from the date of this advertisement. At the expiration of the said period the assets of the estate will be distributed, and claims received after that period will not be recognised.

LOUIS P. RUSSELL,
Acting Administrator General.
Administrator-General's Office, High Court, Bombay, 26th November, 1883.

WINES, SPIRITS, BEER, &c.

PRICE LIST of WINES, &c., ON SALE at the Godowns of the undersigned:—

CHAMPAGNE.

	Per doz quarts.	Per 2 doz. pints.
Champagne, R & R	Rs. 24 0	...
Guiraud, Fils & Co.'s Carte Blanche	,, 33 0	...
Heidsick's Dry Monopole	,, ..	60 0

From MESSRS. DRUTZ AND GELDERMANN, AYEN CHAMPAGNE.

Carte Blanche, dry	Rs. 32 0	Rs. 34 0
Cabinet Indis, very dry	,, 37 0	,, 39 0
Goldlack, extra	,, ..	,, 44 0

MOSELLE.
From A. DUPILLE, MACAU MEDOC.

Josephshoefer (still)	,, 24 0	...

STILL HOCKS.
From G. M. PABSTMANN, SOHN, MAYENCE.

Laubenheimer	Rs. 16 0	Rs. 19 0
Deidesheimer	,, 17 0	,, 20 0
Geisenheimer	,, ..	,, 21 0
Leibfrauenmilch	,, 22 0	,, 25 0
Steinwein	,, 22 0	...
Hochheimer Berg	,, 26 0	,, 29 0
Rudesheimer	,, 26 0	,, 29 0
Marcobrunner	,, ..	,, 33 0
Queen Victoria Berg	,, 36 0	...

From OTTO PRUMM, MAYENCE.

Laubenheimer	Rs. 14 0	Rs. ...
Moselblümchen	,, 16 0	,, 19 0
Niersteiner	,, ..	,, 19 0
Hochheimer	,, ..	,, 23 0
Brauneberger	,, 20 0	,, ...
Liebfraumilch	,, 23 0	,, 26 0
Berncasteler-Rosenberg	,, 23 0	,, 26 0
Rudesheimer	,, 28 0	,, ...
Josephshoefer	,, 29 0	,, 32 0
Oberemmeler-Rosenberg	,, 33 0	,, 36 0
Steinberger	,, 33 0	,, 36 0
Scharzhofberger	,, 41 0	,, 44 0
Johannisberger	,, 42 0	,, 45 0

FRENCH WHITE WINES.
From A. DUPILLE, MACAU MEDOC.

Sauternes	Rs. 19 0	...

From MESSRS. MUNZER & SPANN, BORDEAUX.

Haut Sauternes	,, 22 0	,, 25 0

ITALIAN WINES.
From MESSRS. RIZZETTI & RAY, TURIN.

Barbera	Rs. 16 0	...
Vin Girgiulino Secco	,, 16 0	...
Barolo	,, 18 0	...
Nebiolo	,, 18 0	...
Moscatto Vino	,, 20 0	...
Vin Pinot Bianco	,, 22 0	...

CLARETS.
From MESSRS. H. & C. BALARESQUE, BORDEAUX.

Chateau de Franda	Rs. 14 0	Rs. 16 0
Los Canons	,, 17 0	,, 19 0
Chateau Leoville	,, 20 0	...
Chateau Lafitte	,, 24 0	...

From A. DUPILLE, MACAU MEDOC.

Listrac Medoc	,, 15 0	...
Cru de Barreyre	,, 19 0	...
Chateau La Begorce	,, 24 0	...

From MESSRS. MUNZER & SPANN, BORDEAUX.

Medoc	Rs. 11 0	Rs. 13 0
St. Estephe	,, 13 0	,, 15 0
Haut Canon	,, 14 0	,, 17 0
Margaux	,, 17 0	,, 19 0
Chateau Larose	,, ..	,, 28 0

From MESSRS. BRANDENBURG FRERES, BORDEAUX.

St. Estephe	,, 13 0	...
St. Julien	,, 28 0	...

BURGUNDY.
From A. DUPILLE, MACAU MEDOC.

Volnay	Rs. 22 0	...
Chambertin	,, 23 0	...

BRANDY

F. Dessandier & Co.'s * Brandy	Rs. 22 0	...
Cognac, Fine Champagne, Red Bars	,, ..	...
M. & Spann	,, 25 0	...
Cognac, Fine Champagne, Gold Bars, J. & Spann	,, 30 0	...
Adr. Mesnard & Co.'s *** Cognac	,, 26 0	...
Chas. Lervoire's finest Cognac *** Very Old	,, 34 0	...
Cognac, Green labels (vine leaf) white capsules, A.L. Boiteau & Co.	,, 24 0	...
Do. Gold labels, blue Capsules A. L. Boiteau & Co.	,, 30 0	...

WHISKY.

Bon Accord	Rs. 22 0	...
Breadalbane Highland Whisky	,, 22 0	...
Finest Old Scotch Whisky	,, 22 0	...
Thistle Blend Whisky *	,, 22 0	...
Do. do. **	,, 23 0	...

BEER.

		Per doz. pints.
St. Pauli	Rs. 6 8	Rs. 4 4
Pilsener Beer	,, 6 0	,, 4 0
St. Pauli Lagerbier (Bremen)	,, ..	,, 4 0
Lagerbier	,, 5 0	...
Romford Bitter Ale	,, 5 0	...
Kaiser Beer	,, 6 0	,, 4 0
Flower & Sons' Ale	,, 4 8	,, 3 0

	Per doz. Impl. pints.	
Romford Light Bitter Beer	,, 6 0	,, 4 8

SUNDRIES.

Italian Vermouth	Rs. 18 0	...
Do. do. (Superior)	,, 20 0	...
Real Italian Oil, very large bottles	,, 14 0	...
Do. do. small do. Flutes	,, 8 0	,, 6 0
	Bottles.	
Condensed Milk per doz.	Rs. 5 8	

PRESERVED MEATS, SAUSAGES, VEGETABLES, &c.

	Rs. a.
Swedish Butter per 1 lb. tin	1 1
Danish Butter, finest per 1 lb. tin	1 3
Hams, Danish, finest, smoked, from 8 to 12 lbs. per lb.	0 10
Stangensparge, Asparagus (large tins) per tin.	2 8
Do. do. (small)	1 8
Truffel Leberwurst (Truffled Liver Sausages) tin	1 8
Do. do. do.	0 13
Mettwurst (cooked meat Sausages)	1 6
Do. do. do.	0 12
Cervelatwurst (Brain Sausages)	1 6
Do.	0 12
Zungrenpain (Tongue Pate)	1 6
Kalbfleishpain (Veal Pate)	1 6
Hasenpain (Hair Pate)	1 4
Gaenzebberpain (Goose Liver Pate)	1 12
Celery	0 14
Do.	0 10

TERMS.

Outstation orders should be accompanied by a remittance or reference for payment in Bombay.

Cash payments or supplies of wine, &c., (tinned prov

HIGH COURT.—DECEMBER 14.

(Before a FULL BENCH of FIVE JUDGES,)

THE POSITION OF PLEADERS AND VAKILS IN BOMBAY.

A FULL BENCH, consisting of Mr. Justice Bayley, Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice West, Mr. Justice Pinhey, Mr. Justice Scott, and Mr. Justice Latham, sat to-day to deliver judgment on an application made on the 5th October last by the Pleaders' Association of Western India, requesting that a circular might be issued to all courts subordinate to the High Court, intimating that High Court pleaders are entitled to practise in those courts without special *sanad* or permission. The court was crowded by a large number of barristers, solicitors, pleaders, and vakils, for whom special accommodation was found in the Criminal Court.

Mr. Justice Bayley said that the application was mainly based upon certain sections of the Presidency Small Cause Court Act, which came into force on the 1st July, 1882. It was strenuously contended that there was now no possible doubt as to the title of vakils of the High Court to practise in the Small Cause Court of Bombay. His lordship did not consider that the pleaders now had the right, which they claimed to have, of practising in the Bombay Court of Small Causes. If thought desirable, the matter could be easily rectified. By Act XV. of 1882, section 9, power was given to the Small Causes Court to make rules. With regard to the pleaders' application to be allowed to practise in the subordinate courts without special *sanad* or permission, his lordship observed that it must stand or fall with the other part of the application. His lordship thought that the court was bound to reject the application in both its branches.

Mr. Justice West was of opinion that the Act provided for several matters, but not for the admission of practitioners. The charters of the High Courts and the Acts of the Indian Legislature had always dealt with this as a subject apart from rules of practice. The Legal Practitioners' Act showed that the Legislature was of the same mind still. It could not be supposed that the Legislature intended to give all the Small Causes Courts the power of superseding its own laws with regard to pleaders by their own rules; and yet if it did not intend all to have the power, neither did it intend any to have it; there was no distinction. The Small Cause Court of Bombay had not, under section 9, the power, any more than that of Calcutta or Madras (apart from the express enactments giving and regulating this power), to constitute the bar for itself; nor could the High Court sanction rules framed for such a purpose. It was to be regretted that the pleaders of that court should be excluded from the Small Causes Court even for a time; but the proper remedy was to be found not in a loose and illegitimate construction of the existing law, but in a new law specifically adapted to the mischief which it was desired to remedy.

Mr. Justice Scott said he could not sanction any step which might tend to favour any special class of pleaders or to lower the standard of proficiency or personal fitness of all pleaders, which was now established. He thought that the present application was not free from that danger; and although he was of opinion that the High Court had power to make rules on the subject, or, in the case of the Small Causes Court, to sanction rules on this subject tendered for its approval, he was against the exercise of that power by the promulgation of a circular the High Court was asked to issue. Under the powers with which the High Court was invested, however, the present system of legal practitioners might safely and with advantage be revised, so as to admit pleaders to the Small Causes Court. Such an application his lordship would have gladly supported. That, however, was not the form of the present application; and his lordship therefore, with some reluctance, concurred in its rejection.

Mr. Justice Pinhey said he was not prepared to allow the contention that the pleaders of the High Court, under the word "pleader" in the latest Code of Civil Procedure, were entitled to appear in all courts subordinate to the High Court, including the Presidency Small Causes Court, without special *sanad*, appointment, or allocation. He, however, thought that the High Court should call on the Presidency Small Causes Court to submit for sanction rules enabling pleaders of the High Court to practise in the Small Causes Court.

Mr. Justice Latham said he agreed with the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice West in holding that the law, as it stood at present, did not authorise the High Court pleaders to practise in the Presidency Small Causes Court. His lordship considered that the latter court had power to make rules, with the sanction of the High Court, for the admission of pleaders to practice therein.

The Chief Justice intimated that the application was unanimously rejected by their lordships.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

EXCERPTS from the proceedings of a meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay held on the 11th instant.

ENSIGNS FOR GOVERNMENT VESSELS.

Read Government Resolution No. 542, dated 30th November, intimating to the Director of Indian Marine, in reply to an inquiry made, that H. E. the Governor in Council sees no objection to Government vessels employed in the different branches of the service in this Presidency wearing the same ensign as may be allotted to the Bombay Government; also directing attention to the objection raised by the Trustees against changing the ensign of their vessels, which received the approval of the Admiralty in 1880. H. E. the Governor in Council further considers that the harbour police should fly the same ensign as may be allotted to the Government of Bombay, with some conspicuous design or badge to distinguish it from all others.

Resolution.—To be recorded.

DOCK RULES.

Read letter from the Secretary, Chamber of Commerce, dated 13th October, intimating that the Chamber approves of rules 1 and 2, passed by Trustees' resolution No. 291 of 5th July, 1883, and recommends that the following be substituted for rules 3 and 4: No. 3.—"Should a vessel of three working days load less than 500 tons, she will be considered as lying idle, and will be liable to have to give up her berth to a working vessel." No. 4.—"Should a vessel in eight days load less than 2,000 tons, she will be considered as lying idle, and will be liable to be ordered out of dock." Read report by Dock Superintendent, dated 17th October. Read minutes of members of Dock Committee.

Resolution.—The rules as amended by the Chamber of Commerce are accepted, the words "will be considered as lying idle and" being struck out of rules 3 and 4.

Read letter from the Dock Superintendent, dated 11th June, 1883, intimating that 3 annas per ton is charged for weighing or measuring goods at the dock, and recommending that in addition Rs. 2 per day be charged for the service of a clerk when employed in weighing goods, and that Rs. 5 be charged for each certificate granted. Read minutes of members of Dock Committee.

Resolution.—The charges already made, and those proposed by the Dock Superintendent for weighing and measuring goods and granting certificates are sanctioned.

THE INSPECTION OF THE HARBOUR.

On the motion of the Chairman it was resolved that the annual inspection of the harbour and lighthouses be made on 8th January next, the same arrangements to be made with regard to the invitation of non-official guests and ladies for the afternoon part of the trip as were made last year.

SUPPLY OF STORES.

Read letter from the Engineer, dated 10th December, submitting form of tender and schedules for the supply of articles usually purchased and issued by his storekeeper. He intimates that the list includes everything except iron and steel castings, coals, cocoanut and castor-oil, and some stationery, and he explains why these items have been omitted. It was proposed by the Chairman that the arrangements proposed by the Engineer be approved and acted upon. Proposed as an amendment by Mr. Parker that the Trustees' resolution No. 339 of 2nd August, 1883, requiring all stores to be supplied by tender, be acted upon. The amendment was first put, and was carried. It was thereafter carried as a substantive motion.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The following were amongst the papers laid on the table:—

Letters from the Traffic Manager, dated 4th and 7th instant, reporting that 10 men were fined 2 annas each for fouling the Mody Bay foreshore, and 13 men were fined 4 annas each for fouling the Tank-bunder foreshore.

Statement of toll collected at Mahim and Sion on behalf of the Municipality from 29th October to 2nd December. It amounts to Rs. 1,837-14.

PILOTAGE STATEMENT.

	For week ending 9th Dec., 1883.	For week ending 9th Dec., 1882.
Vessels piloted into harbour ..	16	15
" out of " ...	20	20
" transported ..	10	13
" attended to ..	1	1

STATEMENT OF VESSELS USING PRINCE'S DOCK.

	For week ending 7th Dec., 1883.	For week ending 7th Dec., 1882.
Vessels entered ..	13	5
" sailed ..	10	12
" remaining in dock ..	14	7

ADVICE TO MOTHERS:—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to the taste, it produces natural quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere at is. 1½d. per bottle. Wholesale by the Anglo-American Drug Company, Limited, 33, Farringdon Road, London.

THE CALCUTTA EXHIBITION.

THE JEYPORE COURT.

THE second court on the left hand side of the eastern building is that of Jaypore. It immediately arrests attention from the fanciful dressing of the upper part of the show cases, which are literally encrusted with arms and weapons of every shape, grouped round shields in great variety of material. From the roof depends a speciality of Jeypore—cotton fabrics printed in gold. The metal is the purest gold. The design, or wooden stamp, is covered with a paste made of sugar, yellow ochre, and gums; it is then transferred to the left hand of the artificer, who impresses the cloth. A second workman applies the gold leaf where the paste has been put. After the work has dried it is polished on a marble slab with an agate pestle. There are also a great variety of Sunganis and Pugzoo chintzes which are 60 to 70 years old, but the colours are as fresh as, and more mellow than, when printed. The art of dyeing must be well understood and honestly practised in Jeypore to achieve such remarkable results. The gold embroidery is very rich, and the State coat of Maharajah Jey Sing, the founder of the kingdom, would gladden the heart of Oscar Wilde. It is the fashionable colour called "crushed raspberries," moderately embroidered in gold. There is a good deal of gold and silver filligree work, in common with all Native States; some well cut animals in white, black, and brown marbles, and some extremely well modelled animals in *papier-maché* which are greatly superior to the ordinary clay models, those of Kishnuggur excepted. The clay modelling is also good. There are two life sized figures, one of a Hindoo lady of the upper classes in the national dress, with all her jewels on, and the other a young Rajpoot, also in the national dress and jewelled turban, which are now only seen at Durbars and the principal festivals, which seems to attract a great deal of attention. Jeypore painting is much esteemed in Upper India. It is an art which has long existed there amongst the carpenter caste, who still excel in it, but of late years they have been beaten by the students of the local school of art, and what will surprise many is that upwards of one thousand designs have been sent from Jeypore to the Manchester cloth printers in the course of one year. There are upwards of 150 families employed in this industry. They paint principally in English water colours.

Jeypore marble is mentioned in the ancient classics of the land. Its hard white marble idols, looking like petrified alabaster, are exported all over India. They are often thickly covered with gold, which gives them a speciality. Unfortunately the exhibits are not the best specimens, as for many months past the majority of the sculptors are engaged on work in Agra.

One of the show cases is full of garnet work in the shape of necklaces and smaller ornaments. The rough stones are found in the hills near the city, and below the surface as low down as 60 feet, varying in size from a pea to a lump weighing four seers, worth Rs. 800, which may be seen in the show case. The colours vary from yellow to purple and the deepest crimson. Last year Rs. 60,000 worth of stones were exported to Europe, Turkey and China. The necklaces are exceedingly pretty, varying in price from Rs. 2 to Rs. 100. Many competent authorities have pronounced the enamel work of Jeypore the finest in the world. It is very minute, and requires a close examination. There are some splendid examples of ancient enamel on silver and copper, rarely practised, all the modern work being done on gold, as it admits of all colours being produced. The colours all come from Lahore, where the exact composition of the colour in brick is a secret.

The large glass case in the centre of the court contains a collection of articles of rare value artistically and historically. They nearly all belong to the Maharajah, and are merely lent for the occasion. Some are of great antiquity, and all show great beauty, all of great interest. Against the wall is a slab of pure white marble, sculptured in frieze style in a series of small basso-relievo figures representing the artist's idea of the pleasures of Heaven and the torments of Hell. Every figure has a funny expression in the faces, the people seem quite as happy and contented in the one place as in the other.

THE BURMESE COURT.

We now cross over and enter the Burmese Court. It does not require any name put up. The smallest child in the place could recognise and name it. Ladies have for many years past been doing a fancy work called appliqué, a Russian work, but the art of using different coloured cloths, stitched over each other to represent flowers and other subjects, has been in practice in Burmah for centuries. We have here a cartoon 63 feet long and 5 feet wide, representing some leading incidents in the popular folk-lore of the kingdom, all in applique on a green ground, in which not only woollen and chintzes are used, but also mica scales and such like means to brighten the effect, which is extremely good, and admirably suited to the grotesque style they prefer. There is also crewel work in silk on large pieces and beside the doors and forming screens. A show case full of the beautiful putsoe silk cloths worn by the Court people at Mandalay is remarkable for the beauty of the texture and the simple colours, as no gold is used in them. They rely on their intrinsic merits for admiration. The picture over the entrance is in water colour, the combat between Poolan and Senecha, one of their most popular legends. The most remarkable exhibits are the carvings, frames, and panels. The interlacing of their wood carving has never been surpassed, and the same with their best silver work. Their bowls are cut right through, highly burnished, and then lined with a separate cup in fluted silver which throws out the frosty work and gives it a depth of relief not otherwise obtainable. There is also some beautifully fine gold work in the usual Eastern filligree, but noteworthy from the different colours given to the metal. Some of it is bright red, and all shades from that to the common yellow. The ivory carvings too are good, but not equal to Berhampore. There are some old armour, weapons, and some very old gongs, toys, and exquisite laquer work, for which the Burmese are famed.

The court is not overcrowded with articles. There is plenty of room to examine this really beautiful collection as far as it goes, the greater part of which has been lent by Kuppoo Lingojee, Burmese living at Moulmein, Bassein, Akyab, Prome, and other places, but the number and variety of articles strikes one as being very meagre for a large kingdom like Burmah and important in point of industry. Every article here shown has been produced for centuries back. We hear of the "progress" of Burma, but there is certainly nothing in the court with which we could connect the word. It may be that they have been purposely left with a view to confine it to an ancient collection only. Their greatest exports—rice, teakwood, and ponies—are not, of course, represented here. We fancy Mr. Buck looks with covetous eyes upon many of the older carvings in wood and silver for his Fine Art collection which will glorify the new Economic Museum.

THE SILBER LIGHT.

In one corner of the British transept are a couple of show cases which arrest the attention of many a passer by. The first belongs to the Silber Light Co., and contains a selection of their exquisite lamps. In these the Silber burner was limited to a broad 2½ inch wick coiled round a burner with an aperture in the centre like the Argand lamp. But now their lamps are fitted with every kind of burner, round or flat. Mr. Silber is a man of high scientific attainments, and likes to gather congenial intellects around him. In that firm there are a continued series of experiments being carried out, on what to the uninitiated would appear mere trifles. As, for instance, the brass gauze wire running round the flange of the burner to admit oxygen to the wicks, but upwards of 200 experiments were made with wire and perforated brass, before the "size of the mesh" best suited to the purpose was finally decided upon. It is, perhaps, invidious to select one out of so many perfect burners, but the "Miratus" burner is, perhaps, the newest thing of the kind. It is a flat duplex burner with a double suction wick, that is, two burning wicks are fed by four wicks below, and give very nearly the light of four wicks burning at the same time. The stands are in every variety of pattern and material, all singularly handsome, though very diverse. The newest designs are the Burbutine, with highly raised flowers, and the green moss and white moss, with wreaths of natural flowers. We notice a couple of drawing-room lamps in the bottom of the case with the pedestals standing in flower troughs, which appear to us to be very modern in idea and execution. It has been often and truly said that our children live in a happy period when learning is made an amusement instead of a toil, and here we have a lamp, the globe of which is an eight-inch terrestrial globe, correctly drawn to scale and faintly coloured with the countries and correctly lettered. Truly we live in an enlightened age, and teach our children illuminated geography. The firm have also gas-burners in great variety. Their newest patent is the Concordia, which may be seen burning in a few days. One of their specialities is railway lamps for India, of which they have supplied large numbers to the E. I. R. Their heating stoves and cooking apparatus will well repay examination, as indeed will every article here exposed.—*Englishman.*

MONDAY being a special holiday, there was an immense crowd in the middle of the day. Every court and place was occupied, and a great number of people walking about the grounds. The Duke and Duchess made another visit, and honoured the ladies' court with their presence. The Duke is said to have telegraphed to the Queen that "the Exhibition is splendid," and he but echoed the general opinion.

A good deal of disappointment was expressed today upon finding that the Government had bought up all the pottery and fine art specimens in almost all the courts to furnish the fine art schools of design which are about to be established all over India.

About 12,000 people passed the pay barrier before the first closing. Mr. Joubert used to say he expected 50,000 visitors a day, but under the present arrangement it would take two days to let that number in, unless couple of turn-styles and pay-boxes can be started on the opposite side, entering into the eastern court.—*Englishman.*

FLORILINE!—FOR THE TEETH AND BREATH.—A few drops of the liquid "Floriline" sprinkled on a wet tooth-brush produces a pleasant lather, which thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all parasites or impurities, hardness the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, gives to the teeth a peculiar pearly whiteness, and a delightful fragrance to the breath. It removes all unpleasant odour arising from decayed teeth or tobacco smoke. "The Fragrant Floriline," being composed in part of honey and sweet-herbs, delicious to the taste, and the greatest toilet discovery of the age. Price 2s. 6d., of all Chemists and Perfumers throughout the world. Sold wholesale by The Anglo-American Drug Company, Limited, 33, Farringdon-road, London.

BENGAL.

A NEW RAILWAY.—It is reported that the construction of the Cooch-Behar Railway will shortly be begun, and it is expected to be finished by the middle of next year.

THE RAINS IN CACHAR.—A telegram to the *Indian Daily News*, dated Silchar, Dec. 9th, says:—"After a heavy rainfall during the night of the 7th instant, the sky looks settled, and it seems to be clearing up. The extent of the damage to the paddy and rabi crops is very heavy. Of the latter, both seed and seedlings have been partially washed out of the ground."

THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.—Lieutenant-General the Hon'ble T. F. Wilson, Military Member of Council, has returned to Calcutta, so all the members of the Viceregal Executive Council are now assembled in Calcutta, and the result of their deliberations on the Secretary of State's despatch on the Ilbert Bill should be made public in a few days.—*Englishman.*

THE Aka EXPEDITION.—It has been decided to bring down half No. 1 Mountain Battery, Punjab Frontier Force, for despatch to the Aka frontier. The gunners will be sent, without guns, mules or drivers, picking up two mountain guns at Calcutta, and equipment, prepared for coolie transport, above Balakpang. A half company of Sappers has also been ordered down from Hoorkee. The troops, stores, &c., will be sent to Tezpur in the first instance.—*Pioneer.*

STORE-KEEPER OF THE E. I. RAILWAY.—Consequent on the intended retirement of Mr. G. H. W. Conroy, Chief Store-keeper and Chief Paymaster of the East Indian Railway Company, now in England on furlough, the Agency of the Company is said to have recommended to the Board of Directors at home that Messrs. J. Oates and R. Battersby, the Officiating Chief Store-keeper, and Officiating Chief Paymaster, respectively,—which two posts have recently been detached and separated,—may be confirmed in their present appointments.

A MATCH.—A match came off yesterday on the race-course between Maharajah Kishore Singh's Glad Tidings and M. Baldock's Zephyr, the wager which has so distinguished itself at Dum-Dum. The match was for a thousand rupees, 2 mile, even weights, nine stone; Tingey riding Glad Tidings, and Vinall Zephyr. A splendid race with a most exciting finish ensued, Glad Tidings winning by a neck in 1 min. 14½ secs. The course was afterwards measured and found 63 yards short. The real time for a full ½ mile would be 1 min. 18 secs.

AN EXHIBITION OF NATIVE JEWELLERY.—In consequence of the Jewel Gallery in the Calcutta International Exhibition not being yet complete, Rai Buddree Dass Mookim Bahadoor exhibited, by desire, his rare and valuable collection of precious stones and other native ornaments at Government House, on Friday, the 7th instant. The collection was inspected by Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught in company with Lady Ripon, who were much pleased with the exhibits.—*Englishman.*

THE ILBERT BILL.—A telegram from Dacca, December 9, to the *Statesman*, says:—A very crowded and enthusiastic public meeting, called by the People's Association, was held here to-day. Syed Golam Mustapha presiding. Resolutions, approving the Ilbert Bill, and expressing a desire that the Bill may be passed into law in the present session of the Legislature, were carried with acclamation.—Another telegram from Burdwan, of the same date, says:—A well-attended and influential meeting in favour of the Ilbert Bill was held at Burdwan yesterday, Baboo Dwarkanath Mittra, moderator, in the chair. An unanimous resolution was passed recognising the urgent necessity for the measure. The meeting dissolved with cheers for Lord Ripon.

VALUE TO INDIA OF THE ANGLO-INDIAN COMMUNITY.

IN reviewing the value of the Anglo-Indian community to India, the *Indian Daily News* says:—Practically, the thirty-eight millions and a quarter we have shown represent the manner in which the Anglo-Indian community employes its savings. Those savings taking the workers of the community at 72,000 men, represent a sum of Rs. 5,300 per man; and this is but a little of the real investment of the community in India; for it is only the result of their combinations for works and industries outside of their own individual employments; and we say that no community in the world so numerically small has accomplished so much, or is doing it a duty so mightily towards the country in which it is a stranger. Take one industry only—tea. There are some 1,500 gardens, managed by 2,000 Anglisamen as planters, and giving employment to some 300,000 natives. Consider the wages earned by those 300,000 men? To England Indian tea means an addition of £1,250,000 to the English customs revenue. To India it means a grand effort in the direction of bringing about a much-needed re-distribution of population, and this again is a service of incomparable magnitude to a country overcrowded as Bengal is, and to a Government which feels year by year more heavily the pressure of a plethora of population. So great is the service done by planters that the railway even at Kumaon is feeling its way towards them. It has reached them at Darjeeling, and it is beginning the great enterprise of placing them in Assam in communication with the capital, and with the immense reserves of labour behind the capital. It is not only that the planters create an industry, but that population flows towards them. It will not be long before Assam will be a favourite resort for what we may call independent emigrants from Bengal.

MADRAS.

NEW RAILWAY LINES.—We are glad to learn that during the last two months, the Hon'ble T. C. Hope the Public Works Member of the Viceregal Council succeeded in obtaining the Secretary of State's sanction to two important lines in this Presidency, *viâ* from Goondacal, to Bezwara, 255 miles, and from Vellore to Tirupati 66 miles, or a total distance of 321 miles. He also arranged with the Madras Government for surveying an extension of the former line from Goondacal to Hiddupur, and of the latter from Tirupati to Madonapalle and Kadiri. Both these extensions will probably be taken up shortly. It certainly is high time that something were done.—*Mail.*

A NARROW ESCAPE.—Mr. E. J. Beaumont, of the No 2 Marine Survey Party, had a very narrow escape from being drowned in Vizagapatan harbour, on Thursday last. The steam launch in which he was returning on shore after finishing soundings in the harbour, got well nigh filled with water in a high surf, and Mr. Beaumont fell overboard, and was carried away a good distance. One of the Arcottes, with laudable courage, plunged in to his rescue and got to him until boats from the ship reached the scene of the accident. Mr. Beaumont was much exhausted when he landed.—*Mail.*

THE BURBRIDGE MURDER.—It was two months yesterday, since the ill-fated woman, Maria Burbridge, was atrociously murdered and despite all the steps by the local police, the murderers are still at large. Not a little of evidence has yet been obtained to criminate any person. Both the police and the detectives employed to ferret out a crime which has been unparalleled in its atrocity, have given up the affair as a bad job, and will, no doubt, be the last phase of crime. We repeat that the police have failed most lamentably in the discharge of their duty and we are not, therefore, at all surprised to see that the public have lost all confidence in them.—*Bangalore Post.*

THE MADRAS COUNCIL.—It is notified in the last *Madras Gazette* that "the Hon. D. F. Carmichael having closed his connection with the Government of Madras on the completion of his term of service as Member of Council, His Excellency the Governor in Council takes this opportunity of placing on record his sense of the value and importance of the advice and assistance which Mr. Carmichael has rendered to the Administration during a long and distinguished career in which he has occupied many of the highest offices, and devoted himself to the public interests with marked ability and success. All honours and privileges attached to the office of Member of Council will be continued to the Hon. Mr. Carmichael until his departure from this Presidency." It is also announced that "whereas a vacancy has occurred in the office of an Ordinary Member of the Council of the Presidency of Fort St. George, in consequence of the Honorable D. F. Carmichael having completed the prescribed period of service, in that office; and whereas no person provisionally appointed to succeed thereto is present on the spot; therefore His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor in Council under the powers vested in him by the provisions of Section 27 of the India Councils Act 1861 is pleased to supply such vacancy by the appointment of the Honorable Charles Gilbert Master, Chief Secretary to Government, to be temporary Member of Council, and the said Honorable Charles Gilbert Master has accordingly this day taken his seat in the said Council, under the usual salute from the ramparts of Fort St. Gorge."—*Mail.*

THE MADRAS SCHOOL OF ARTS AND THE CALCUTTA EXHIBITION.—The Madras School of Arts, of which Mr. R. F. Chisholm, Consulting Architect to Government now on furlough in Europe, is Officiating Superintendent, had always been represented at Calcutta Exhibitions, and on more than one occasion gained a gold medal for excellence in pottery. Nothing, however seems to have, been sent direct from the School to the Calcutta International Exhibition, but some firms in Madras, who purchased some of the school pottery, have sent them as exhibits. The Government of Madras naturally wishing to know why the School of Arts has not sent any exhibits, Mr. Chisholm's *locum tenens*, Captain Simpson, has, we hear, replied that he had ascertained that Mr. Chisholm, who had been appointed by the Government as a member of the Madras Committee for the Calcutta Exhibition, had informed his *confreres* that he had no intention of competing at the Exhibition. Captain Simpson says he cannot attempt to explain Mr. Chisholm's reasons for refusing to send exhibits! as the subject was never talked on between them during the short interval that lapsed between the delivering and taking over charge of the Institution. Captain Simpson has also observed that Mr. Chisholm must have had excellent reasons for his action, and, being in ignorance of them, he did not wish to interfere. The Government we hear, have now called upon Mr. Chisholm for a full explanation regarding the omission on his part to secure the direct representation of the School of Arts at the Calcutta Exhibition.—*Times.*

THE BREMNER CASE.

AT the Madras Police Court, on Tuesday, before Mr. W. M. Scharlieb, Alfred Bremner was charged by Mr. Strinivassa Moodelly, with criminal breach of trust as a merchant, in respect of Rs. 500, cheating, and dishonest misappropriation. Mr. Champion was engaged for the prosecution, and Mr. Robert Grant for the defence. Mr. Champion, in opening the prosecution, said, that accused started business in last December with Mr. Mansfield under the name of Messrs. Mansfield Bremner and Co. When business was started both partners were in Madras. They wanted certain clerks who were required to deposit security, and among these was Mr. Strinivassa Moodelly, their late cash-keeper. A deposit of Rs. 1,000 was asked, but Rs. 500 were deposited on the 7th December last, and it was alleged that that sum was to be a fixed deposit, and would be kept as such, and only used in case of defalcation. That allegation is borne out by a book of account in accused's hand to the following effect:—"Dr., Agra Bank, Fixed Deposit Rs. 500 for 6 months," and this entry was carried out in the ledger, bearing the same date, and the entry was also made in the journal in accused's handwriting. The Rs. 500 were paid into Mr. Bremner's hands, but both partners were present, and the receipt given was signed by Bremner, for the firm. According to the receipt, it was a fixed deposit. This receipt was renewed on the 8th June last. The book being so, there is evidence in the accused's handwriting which corroborates prosecutor's statement, that the money was not to be used, except in case of a defalcation. On the 15th March last, Rs. 500 with Rs. 411-2, was transferred from deposit to current account. The cash-book was kept by Mr. Bremner himself, that is to say the majority of items were simply entered by the cash-keeper at the dictation of Mr. Bremner, or Mr. Bremner handed memos. to the cash-keeper as to what to credit, and what to debit. Mr. Champion said that he would moreover produce evidence to show that with the exception of the cash, book, all the other books were kept by Mr. Bremner, and they were never accessible to anybody else in the office. Mr. Champion submitted that if Mr. Bremner's accounts were honestly and properly kept, the sum of Rs. 514-11-2 would have appeared in the cash book, and also in the journal, but, it did not; it appeared only in the ledger, and there was an entry in Mr. Bremner's own writing in his private book, a small book, called the "bank account" kept by him for the purpose of checking the balance of monies paid into the Bank. In this book, under date the 15th March, 1883, there was the following entry—"To amount transferred from fixed deposit account Rs. 504-11-2," and one reason why that transfer was made, Mr. Champion thought, was because two promissory notes had just fallen due, and Mr. Bremner was not able to meet them. But the Agra Bank books, which would be put into Court, would show that the sum of Rs. 500 never found its way back again into the Fixed Deposit Account, but had been swallowed up by other monies, and there was therefore a clear case of criminal breach of trust against Mr. Bremner. In regard to the next item Mr. Champion thought it necessary, as the case proceeded, would find it necessary to frame another charge against Mr. Bremner. A few days prior to the 18th August, 1883, Mr. Bremner pressed the cash-keeper to make a further deposit of Rs. 300 in the Agra Bank, as there was not, that, as a rule, a very small amount of money was ever in the hand of the cash-keeper, and this was getting beautifully less day by day. The cash-keeper naturally asked why he should be required to deposit any more money, and Mr. Bremner replied that Mr. Mansfield would be sending out large consignments hereafter, and very large sums of money would then pass through the cash-keeper's hands. It was therefore necessary that he should make a further deposit. The cash-keeper at the time had not the money in his possession, but tried to stave off the evil day, and to keep his place. Mr. Bremner a few days after said to him, "I can get another man to take your place if you do not pay the further deposit." Upon this the cash keeper borrowed the money (Rs. 500) and handed the same to Mr. Bremner, and obtained a receipt from him. The case was not concluded.

N.-W. PROVINCES, PUNJAB, AND OUDH.

THE PATTIALA RAILWAY.—His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab leaves Lahore for Pattiala on Thursday next, to turn the first sod of the Pattiala Railway. His Honor will return to Lahore on Saturday morning.

A CURIOUS MARRIAGE.—Judges have curious duties to perform in the Punjab. The other day a man was committed to the Sessions for kidnapping a girl. It appeared that he had (like Jacob) contracted with the girl's father to serve him for seven years, on condition of receiving her in marriage at the end of the period. But he got tired of waiting, or working or both, and ran off with the girl. Obviously, there was no question of kidnapping in the case; and equally clearly, it was advisable to get them properly married. And to this, the father was willing to consent, if only the man's family would betroth the man's cousin to the girl's brother. This was agreed to; the parties were brought into Court; the Mulla and Kazi were summoned; the one couple were married and the other betrothed, in the presence of the Judge, the fact was duly recorded on the file, and the prisoner acquitted. It is not often, even in India, that a bridegroom stands in the felon's dock to be married.—*Civil and Military Gazette.*

BURMAH.

EMEUTE OF PRISONERS IN THE RANGOON JAIL.—A few nights ago the Cantonment and the town were disturbed by hearing the bugles sound the alarm, assembly, &c. The military were out very promptly, and it was ascertained that there was an outbreak of something of the kind at the Jail. Four Companies of the 11th M. N. I., and a Company of the 2nd Middlesex, were soon at the gates, but when it was found that all was safe, on inquiry it was stated that a single man had made an attempt at escape, but had been captured. Further inquiry, however, elicited the fact that a whole gang of convicts had succeeded in getting out of their ward, had beaten a couple of warders most unmercifully, and would have escaped, at any rate some of them, had not the European Overseer alarmed the guard, and the sentries fired. Of course the sentries could see anything, and so would as easily have killed friends as foes. It frightened the recalcitrant convicts which was the thing most desired, and they returned to their ward.—*Englishman's Correspondent.*

BARNUM'S WHITE ELEPHANT.—Barnum's agent, though he did it liberally for the hire of Hairy Family at Mandalay for the American Museum, was unsuccessful. He has since managed to secure a white or sacred elephant at a cost of Rs. 15,000, about ten times the cost of an ordinary working elephant. It is not known whether this will be a successful one, as this is the first white elephant which has left Asia. In the deed of sale of the animal the sellers stipulate for good treatment of the elephant, and that they want this money to repair the temple and pagoda. The sellers seem not to have thought that the expenditure of so much hard cash alone was a guarantee that the animal would be well taken care of. A great many young elephants have been shipped from Mandalay during the last few years. They are taken principally by Mr. Cross of Liverpool, who for the first lot paid £140 each. This price has since been reduced to £100, whilst seeing there is a demand for them the price on the spot has risen from about Rs. 230 to Rs. 400. Freight is Rs. 200, payable whether the animal lives or dies, and in addition, a present is generally given for looking after the elephant on board. At old rates, a handsome profit was made if two out of three baby elephants reached Liverpool in health. When shipped from this in March or April they do not suffer much from cold. The white elephant is going at a somewhat risky time, for it will reach Europe in the dead of winter. However Barnum may be trusted in his own business, and I supposed has made every arrangement, including probably flannel suits for his costly purchase.—Correspondent of *Pioneer.*

STARVATION WAGES IN LONDON.

"W. M." writes in the *Pall Mall Gazette*:—In more favoured centres of industry a rise of from 30 to 100 per cent. may have taken place during the last fifty years, but among the poor in the metropolis the movement has been a retrograde one. It is the literal truth that thousands of men, women, and children barely manage to exist on starvaion pay, and enjoy none of the luxuries the consumption of which has so enormously developed. Very little in the shape of luxury can be extracted from the 2½*d.* which is paid for the making of an umbrella, or the 2½*d.* which is supposed to repay the labour of manufacturing a gross of matchboxes. Fare worse than that of the work-house is the return which women and children secure for labour extending from the early hours till far into the night. And men are scarcely better off. Skilled work done at home, such as the manufacture of furniture, is miserably paid, and, with thousands in search of employment, the remuneration for riverside labour is cut down to the lowest level. A penny per ton for the irksome work of unloading coal is the beggarly pittance which the dock-labourer is paid. By middlemen he is robbed of his righteous earnings, for the cost to the merchant or shipowner is possibly 2½*d.* or 3*d.* per ton, and contractors and sub-contractors pocket the difference. The supply of labour is so out of proportion to the demand that those who are in search of work are at the mercy of the middlemen and employers, and manifestly they do not scruple to grind the poor to the uttermost. This is a large and not the least difficult part of the problem which has so much engaged public opinion of late; for even with houses rent free thousands could not earn more than would secure the barest necessaries of life. This applies to London more particularly than to the great centres of industry, for so far as I am aware the prices paid for the lowest classes of labour in other towns do not fall so low as in the metropolis. I have before me prices paid in Edinburgh and Glasgow, and they are one, two, or three hundred per cent. higher than those in London, and in these towns the conditions of life are not so severe. With such starvation pay civilization is impossible, and it is not astonishing that the prevailing discontent should take the form of a bitter hatred of those who reap the benefit of the grinding toil of the abject poor.

THE P. AND O. COMPANY.

THE following is the annual Report of the P. and O. Company, which was to be submitted at a meeting convened for the 4th inst.:—

The directors have now to submit their Forty-third Annual Report, in anticipation of the meeting to be held on the 4th proximo.

The balance-sheets and accounts are printed at the end of this Report. The net surplus for the year, including £8,975, brought forward from last year, amounts to £212,310, which after deducting the *interim* dividend of 2½ per cent., admits of further dividend of 2½ per cent., and a bonus of a 2 per cent. (on account of Egyptian Transport Service), which the directors now recommend to be paid, a balance of £9,310 being carried forward to next year.

FLEET.

The usual statement of the Company's Fleet is prefixed to this Report.

In the last Half-Yearly Report the Directors stated that they had contracted with Messrs. Caird & Co., for four new steamers, and the first of these vessels, the Valetta, was launched on the 19th instant. It will be seen by the list of ships that the latter two of these steamers are named the Tasmania and Chusan.

The only steamer at present undergoing refit is the Thibet, which is now receiving new boilers at Dundee, and will be on the active list again in a few weeks.

The general safety and efficiency of the Fleet have been full maintained. A collision occurred at the end of May between the Lombardy and a steamer named the Huntingtontower in the Red Sea, but the matter has been settled between the respective owners without an appeal to law.

The work performed during the past year has been in mileage considerably greater than that of the previous year.

MAIL SERVICES, &c.

The directors regret to state that the Mail Services, and the traffic arrangements of the company generally, have again been seriously disturbed by the re-imposition of quarantine in Egypt, and its enforcement at the same time at all the ports in Italy.

To state very briefly the particulars concerning this matter, it must be mentioned that Egypt suddenly declared arrivals from India in quarantine in May, although at that time there was no alarm of any outbreak of epidemic cholera in India. Very shortly, however, after the adoption of this unnecessary precaution (so far as India was concerned) it was followed by the appearance of cholera of a very virulent type in Egypt itself, which was eventually shown to have been caused entirely by the abominable condition of Damietta and other towns in that country, from a sanitary point of view.

The appearance of cholera in Egypt was immediately followed by quarantine at all the ports in Italy, and each successive development of the disease in Egypt was the signal for further stringency in the precautions adopted by Italy until at last the inhabitants of Brindisi rose *en masse* to prevent even the tarred sacks containing the mails from being landed at that port, and the mails had on several occasions to be brought on to Plymouth because it was found impossible to forward them through any port in Italy without excessive delay. Practically, however, a *modus operandi* was found by landing the mails at Venice, on condition of their coming through the Suez Canal, without having been in contact with Egyptian soil, and on this system the Homeward Mail Service has been worked since the 7th September. The directors are happy to add, that notwithstanding the additional distance involved in the *detour* through the Suez Canal and the continuance of the voyage to Venice, the mails have arrived in London with great punctuality.

The result of this double quarantine has been unfortunate for the Company, not only in the fact that it has caused serious injury to the passenger trade via the Continent, but further because in order to work on the Mail Service efficiently in the face of the disadvantages of the greater distance which the mails have had to be carried and delays in the Suez Canal, the speed and consumption of coal have been very materially increased. In point of fact as far as the Homeward Passenger trade via Brindisi and Venice is concerned, it has completely ceased to exist since quarantine was first imposed at Brindisi in June. The local steamers running between Venice and Alexdria have also, owing to the same cause,

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 14.

THE last published returns of the Bank of England for the week ending on Wednesday are more favourable. The reserve of notes £13,000,000 shows an increase of £500,000, and the bullion is also greater by £200,000. The bills discounted are £300,000 more. The proportion of the reserve to the liabilities, which last stood at 42 per cent., is now 44 per cent. In the Stock Exchange Securities the only change advised is a rise of ¼ in three per cent. Consols, which are now worth 100⅜.

In the General Produce Market Linseed is dull, and the price for Calcutta, to arrive via Canal, has declined to 43 per quarter ; via Cape to 43s. 6d.

The Manchester market is quiet.

The Liverpool Cotton Market yesterday closed quiet ; Surats steady ; arrivals quiet. Sales 8,000 bales, of which 1,000 bales Surats. Prices on the spot are unchanged. Good Dhollera fully good fair clause, December shipment *via* Canal, is quoted at 4. 9-16d. In New York ready Mid-Uplands is worth 10⅛ cents, but "futures" for the month of April are one point higher—say, 10·19 cents. The figures to date are given below.

	1883.	1882.	1881.
Total receipts up to Wednesday	2,859,000	2,832,000	2,642,000
Thursday's receipts	35,000	38,000	37,000
Total since 1st Sept	2,894,000	2,870,000	2,679,000

EXCHANGE is steady. Demand Bank bills 1s. 7 17-32d. to 1s. 7 9-16d. ; three months' credits 1s. 7⅞d. to 1s. 7 25-32d. Some telegraphic was sold to-day at 1s. 7½d. ready, and for January-February at 1s. 7 17-32d. There is very little increase in the Mercantile Paper offering. In Calcutta rates are quoted firm at 1s. 7½d. to 1s. 7 17-32d. for telegraphic transfer, and 1s. 7 31-32d. to ¼ for six months' credits. Money there is reported to be tight on account of rupee coins being shipped to Burmah. Telegraphic Transfer on Calcutta to the extent of five lakhs were sold in London yesterday at the rate of 1s. 7 17-32d., and a similar amount in ordinary demand on Bombay at 1s. 7½d. Reuter quotes Bar Silver at 50⅞d. per oz.—a fall of 1-16d. on the previous day's quotation.

Bank Bills on Demand	1s. 7 17-32d. to 1s. 7 9-16d.
Do. Telegraphic Transfer	1s. 7½d.
Do. three months' sight	1s. 7 21-32d.
Credits, do. do.	1s. 7¾d. to 1s. 7 25-32.
Francs do. do.	fcs. 2·08½.

GOVERNMENT PAPER continues quiet—4 per cents., Rs. 98 11-16 ; 4½ per cents., Rs. 102½ to 102¼.

SHARES.—Bank of Bombay have declined to Rs. 748½. Some Bank of Bengals have changed hands at the advanced rate of Rs. 860 per share. In Land Companies Colabas have risen to Rs. 805 and Port Cannings to Rs. 380. In Press securities some Bombay Cottons were sold at Rs. 1,295 ; Mofussils at Rs. 422½ ; and New Indians at Rs. 217½. There is a slightly better feeling for Mill shares, and rates in some cases have recovered a little. Bombay and Burmah Tradings have improved to Rs. 5,400 for the original and Rs. 1,080 for the second issue. Treacher and Company's shares have fallen to Rs. 1,270 ; and Kemp and Company's to Rs. 339 per share.

COTTON.—There is a somewhat steadier feeling in the Market, and although there is only a limited demand from shippers, dealers are not disposed to submit to a reduction. A transaction in fully good fair Julgaum, for February delivery, is reported to have taken place at Rs. 168 per candy.

			Per candy.
Oomrawuttee,	F. G.		Rs. 172
Do.	Good		,, 167
Do.	F. G. F.		,, 160
Dhollera,	F. G.		,, 171
Do.	Good		,, 166
Do.	F. G. F.		,, 158
Western	Good		,, 158
Do.	F. G. F.		,, 149
Dharwar Saw-ginned	,,		,, 162
Compta			,, 141
New Machine-ginned	Broach, Good		,, 209-210 March
,, Oomrawuttee	Good		,, 178-180 do.
,, Dhollera	Good		,, 177 April.
,, Bengal	Good		,, 149
Do.	F. G.		,, 153

LINSEED is quiet but steady. We quote on the spot Rs. 5-13½ to Rs. 5-14 per cwt.

RAPESEED.—Some new Guzerat for April-May delivery is reported to have found buyers at Rs. 7-5 per cwt. Very little doing in ready lots. We quote :—Guzerat, Rs. 7-12 to Rs. 7-14 ; Cawnpore, Rs. 7-8 to Rs. 7-10 ; and Brown, Rs. 7-4 to Rs. 7-5 per cwt.

WHEAT continues dull without any change in prices.

FREIGHTS remain steady at 21s. 3d. for both weight and measurement by going steamers to Liverpool. Next week's loading 21s. 3d. for the former and 23s. 9d. for the latter. London, 20s to 21s. 3d. and 22s. 6d. respectively. For Havre 25s. is asked for Wheat and 30s. for Cotton.

PIECE-GOODS continue quiet without any noticeable change.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LISTS.

BANKS.

	Shares, Amt.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Cash Rates
INDIAN BANKS.		Rs.		Rs.
Bank of Bombay	20,000 500	all	5p. ct.	748½
Bank of Bengal	42,000 500	all	5 do.	860
Bank of Madras	10,000 500	all	4 do.	640
EXCHANGE BANKS.	£	£		
Agra Bank	10,000 100	all	6 do.	130
National Bank of India	37,320 — 250	12½	5 do.	85

LAND COMPANIES

New Colaba Co.	4,000	700	2,925	Rs. 35	805
Port Canning Co.	6,000	1,000	1,400	Rs. 14	380

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	..	420	218-3 0	5 p.ct	260
Do. New 620 shares	..	620	130 14-6	do.	588
Ditto	..	620	65 7-3	do.	73
Ditto	..	620	1-13-1	do.	82
B. B. & C. I. Ry. Co.	..	2100	1,000	do.	6150
Do. New Shares	41	418	6-5-0	do.	123

PRESS COMPANIES.

Akbar Cotton	150	5,000	2,850	Rs. 125	1,150
Akola Press Co	35	500	all	Rs. 75	500
Albert Ginning Co	100	500	all	18p.ct.	425
Albert Press Co., Kurrachee	300	2,000	1,100	Rs. 100	1,300
Apollo Press Co. (small shares)	750	400	400	Rs. 30	385
Bellary	225	1,000	1,000	Rs. 20	660
Berar Cotton Ginning and Press Co.	600	500	all	Rs. 65	695
Broach Cotton Ginning and Press Co	1,400	250	all	10	65
Bombay Cotton Press.	300	500	500		1,295
Colaba Press Co	500	1,880	1,880	50	1,350
Dhollera P. & G. Co.	500	300	all	30	205
East India Press Co	700	1,000	1,000	Rs. 153	1,450
Fort Press Co	150	325	8,500	350	2,725x
French Press Co	300	500	all	75 p.c.	625
Holkar's Press Co.	450	0		65	840
Manmar Manfg. Co	900	250	250	Rs. 15	385
Mofussil Co	3,125	400	400	Rs. 45	422½
New Indian Press	2,400	125	125	Rs. 25	217½
Prince of W. Press	500	.....	500	100	645
Rnd Press Co	400	2,000	750	Rs. 55	570
Sind & Punjab Cotton Press Co	100	1, 00	750	Rs. 150	1,250
Samoon Press Co	300	00	500	25	500
Volkart Press Co.	450	90	..	65	840

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Croma, 2,080 tons, Captain E. Cave sailed yesterday for London with a general cargo.

THE steamer Bedouin, 1,276 tons, Captain W. J. J. Goldsworthy, sailed yesterday for Dunkirk with a general cargo.

THE ship County of Kinross, 1,641 tons, Captain J. D. Stroak, arrived in harbour on the 13th inst. from Cardiff, (8th Sept.), with a cargo of 2,429 tons coals. The vessel is consigned to Messrs. Finlay, Muir and Co.

THE B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Euphrates, 499 tons will sail to-day for Kattywar Coast and Kurrachee with a general cargo and the following passengers :—Dr. Bartholomeus, Mr. W. B. Janeson, Baboo Tarruck Ghinder Sircar, Baboo Nalin Behari Sircar, one European nurse, and 66 deck.

THE B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Abyssinia, 713 tons, Captain A. C. Clark, arrived in harbour yesterday from Persian Gulf via Kurrachee, with a general cargo, 43 chests opium and 88 horses and the following passengers :—Mr. Molesworthy, Mr. D. Furdoonjee, four natives, two second class, and 77 deck.

THE following is the list of passengers per Italian mail-steamer Singapore Captain E. Boselli sailing on the 15th inst. at 4 p.m. :—For Genoa.—Mr. Charles Baer, Mr. A. S. Cowdell, Miss A. Pedroza, Col. Baldwin, Mrs. Baldwin, and Miss Baldwin. For Port Said.—Mrs. Vario Adele. For Suez.—2 deck passengers.

THE Cie Nationale's steamer Chandernagore arrived here yesterday from Marseilles with a general cargo and the following passengers :—Mr. G. Ruckert, Mr. and Mrs. Cadge, Mr. P. Beier, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and child, Mr. Singer, Mrs. Webster and child, Dr. and Mrs. Crombie and Campanlon, Miss Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Montclar, Mr. Butler and Mr. Sparr.

THE Clan Line steamer Clan Grant, 2,306 tons, Captain A. Campbell, arrived in harbour yesterday from London (16th Nov.), with a general cargo and the following passengers :—Two Misses Michell, Mr. and Mrs. Morrison and two children, Mr. Morgan, Mrs. Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. Fose, Mr. and Mrs. Dunear, Mr. and Mrs. Builder, Mrs. Wick, two children and ayah, Mr. Hampton, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Funnett, Mr. Michell, and Mr. Wray.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander	From.
13	C. of Kinross	Stroak	Cardiff, Sept. 8.
14	Clan Grant (s)	Campbell	London, Nov. 16.
	Abyssinia (s)	Clark	Bussorah, Nov. 29.
	Chandernagore (s)		Marseilles.
	Huchenden (s)	Hall	Middlesborough.
	Princess Serapis	Veil	Bangkok, Oct. 26.

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
14	Inchmornish (s)	Sanders	Dunkirk.
	Bhownuggur (s)	Nacoda	Bhownuggur.
	Croma (s)	Cave	London.
	Bedouin (s)	Goldsworthy	Dunkirk.
	Cathay (s)	Robbie	Trieste, &c.

The steamer Euphrates, Mackerness, to Kattywar Coast and Kurrachee, obtained their port clearances, yesterday.

The following vessels were entered for loading yesterday :—
Steamer Bangalore, to China, &c.
Steamer Knight of St. Patrick, to Dunkirk.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.
11 Maharani (s) ..... Burleigh ..... Port Blair, Nov. 29.
Dilsberg (s) ..... Sinclair ..... Glasgow, Oct. 29.

MADRAS.

Dec. ARRIVAL.
11 Tibre (s) .... Calcutta.
Dec. DEPARTURE.
10 Husars (s) .... Bombay.

HIGH COURT.—DECEMBER 15.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice LATHAM.)
(If Chamber business is over by 2 o'clock p.m.)
Suits for hearing and final disposal.
Long Causes.

149-82—M. H. Khan—Sallay Mahomed Ahmed Joosub vs. John Mahomed Haji Joosub and others.
469-81—Payne and G.—Cooverbai and others vs Roychund Futta and others—Bomonjee and H.
532-79—R. M. Sayani—Lahabai vs Jafferbhoy Gulamhoosen—Macfarlane and E.
648-79—Macfarlane and E.—Jafferbhoy Gulamhoosen vs Mahomedally Rowjee and another—R. M. Sayani.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice BIRDWOOD.)
Summary suit.

359-83—In person—Roopchund Hukumchund and others vs W. Arthur Donohoe.
Suits for hearing and final disposal.
Long Causes.

501-81—Jefferson, B. and D.—Thucker Vussonji Khimji vs Laxmon Kairo—Balkrishna and B.—For Consul's reply.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 13.

Caldecott, Lieut.-Col., R. A., on leave, from Kirkee.

DECEMBER 14.

Hampton, Quarter-Master, Hampshire, from leave, from England.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE CORPS.
REGIMENTAL ORDERS

By Lieut.-Col. the Hon. L. H. BAYLEY, Commandant, B.V.R.C.

Bombay, December 15.

The Regiment will parade under the Adjutant this day, Saturday, the 15th inst., Fall in at the Town Hall at 4-45 p.m. sharp. Red uniform with helmets, arms, and accoutrements to be worn. Members who are at the tram terminus at Colaba, Byculla, Grant-road, and Girgaum at 4-15 p.m., and all those met on the way will have their fares paid. Members defraying their own tram expenses will have the amount refunded by applying for the same after parade.

At a meeting of the Council of the Bombay Vol. Rifle Association, it was definitely fixed to have the annual Rifle Meeting on the following days, viz :—26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, and 31st December, 1883. The programme, prospectus, and rules will be published as soon as possible. Tickets will be ready by the 20th inst., when they will be issued at Head-quarters between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. All intending competitors should obtain their tickets before the 25th inst. It was further ruled that all tickets must be issued at Head-quarters and paid for according to the following scale, which includes ammunition, sighting shots, and entrance fees. For a match of 21 shots—Rs. 2. For a match of 14 shots—Rs. 1-10-0. Members should pay their Association subscription of Rs. 3 at the same time.

The entrance for matches 1 and 5 is Rs 3 each.

By order,
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Capt. and Adjt., B. V. R. C.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES, THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

AT SEA.

DEATH.

GILDER—October 27, on board the sailing ship "G. C. Truant," off the Island of Paragua (Palawan) Manilla, Edward Gordon Gilder, Engineer, "S. S. Luzon," third son of Mr. G. C. Gilder, Assistant Secy. to Govt., Judicial Department, aged 25 years.

BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

MANGAN—December 12, at Victoria-road, Byculla, the wife of W. S. Mangan, of a son (still-born).

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

MEDWORTH—December 7, at Dhampur, N.-W. P., the wife of E. H. Medworth, C. and R. Railway, of a son.

MARRIAGE.

HAMMICK—SEARLE—December 11, at Madras, Murray Hammick, M.C.S., son of the Rev. Sir St. Vincent L. Hammick, Bart., Vicar of Milton Abbott, Tavistock, to Ada Constance, daughter of Colonel A. T. Searle, M.S.C.

DEATH.

MORTON—December 11, at Lucknow, Susan Katherine wife of Lieut.-Colonel G. deC. Morton, and second daughter of the late Major R. F. Grindall, H.E.I.C.S.

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The Bombay Gazette

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1883.

THE taking off by poison of the Emperor Vianlan, the successor of his more famous brother Tu Duc on the throne of Annam, is a blow to the French. When in August last Tu Duc died—it was rumoured that poison had been employed in his case also—the French, who had just bombarded and occupied Hué, lost no time in recognising Vianlan as his heir. He was induced without any difficulty to sign what the French called a treaty, and the Chinese a convention, recognising the Protectorate of the Republic over Annam and ceding Tongking. A number of Mandarins were at once sent out, at the instigation of the French Admiral, directing every one to submit to the new order of things and welcome the new protectors of the country. At first this mission was fairly discharged, but eventually the Mandarins saved themselves trouble by siding with the party of opposition and preaching resistance to the French. The "Emperor of Annam" remained—the Chinese hinting doubts as to the validity of his title—and the protecting Power made the most of him. Now that he has been poisoned, they will have to find another puppet in his place. The intention of those who poisoned Vianlan—or are said to have poisoned him—to declare war against the French, could not have been made known at this stage if the latter were really preponderant at Hué. Very possibly they have drawn off most of their garrison from the capital with a view to strengthen Admiral Courbet's expedition against the Chinese garrison at Bacninh. This strong place is now the centre of interest. From day to day we must expect to hear of the attack thereon, which has been so long deferred, and which is to be the signal for avowed war between France and China. The pretensions of the French to Tongking only assumed a quasi legal aspect when Vianlan signed the Treaty of Hué. It is to assert the right thus conferred or confirmed that Admiral Courbet has been instructed to occupy Sontay and Bacninh. The access to the former place being rendered difficult at the present season by marshes and ponds, Bacninh gets the preference and will be attacked first. It is defended, according to Marquis T'seng, by Chinese troops, who are understood to be 6,000 strong, with a procurable reinforcement of 4,000 sent or to be sent to their assistance by Sontay. If Bacninh falls Sontay must follow ; if the attack fails the position of the French will be very difficult and embarrassing. They have no cavalry to follow up the Black Flags or any other bands whom they may succeed in worsting in the combats that are constantly taking place. They have few or no horses for their artillery. The transport of guns and material in the interior is well-nigh impossible, and if an attack on Bacninh should miscarry the prestige will be on the side of the Chinese. What this means in the confused medley that is now imminent, especially since the pliable Vianlan has been put out of the way, it is easy to calculate. M. Ferry lost a golden opportunity when he failed to seize upon the offer which the Chinese at one moment actually made to recognise the "Convention" of Hué in so far as it established a French Protectorate over Annam on condition that Tongking should not be annexed to the French dominions. Annam with its population of some ten or twelve millions would have been a very fine acquisition, and the fact that it would have been acquired almost without effort or cost would not have made it the less valuable. Tongking might have been acquired afterwards, if occasion served. Either Russia or England would under the circumstances have closed with the offer at once, and digested the Empire of Annam while hopefully watching the course of events in Tongking. The French statesmen of the old school would have done the same. But in these later times the *coq Gaulois* thinks nothing done unless he can clap his wings and crow. And other birds, and even dragons, have an objection to submit to be crowed over.

WE hear from up-country that the Rajputana and Malwa railway is at last going to be used for the transport of troops from the Punjab to Deolali and *vice versa*. The fact of this line of railway being narrow gauge has alone been the cause of its not having been used before for the conveyance of the large number of troops that yearly require to be carried to and from Northern India. But camps are now going to be established at Mhow, Neemuch, Nasirabad, Bandikui, and Delhi, and a certain proportion of men will travel by this route, though the carrying power of the line is very limited, being only able to run three troop trains conveying about 250 men each, just half what a broad gauge special troop train holds. Thus the three troop trains that convey the men down to Khundwa *en route* to Deolali, are the identical ones that must be used for the upward conveyance of men from England. If therefore two or three troopships came in within a very short time of each other, and left Bombay in the same manner, it would be impossible to send all the men by the short and direct route, and a considerable proportion of them would have to go round *viâ* Allahabad, the route now invariably used. We have lately pointed out the fatal mistake of a break of gauge, from a commercial point of view, and the arguments on the subject are too well known to need repetition. Equally visible are the disastrous results when a railway system in which there is a change of gauge is used for military transport. Putting on one side the slowness of movement which must ensue and the thorough incapacity of the line under discussion to carry out any extensive movement of troops—putting that on one side, we repeat, let us look at the yearly saving to Government in the cost of troop trains for the conveyance of men between Deolali and the Punjab which would take place if the route *viâ* Allahabad were altogether disused for Punjab troops. By far the greater proportion of British troops in Bengal are located at stations north of Delhi, and it necessarily follows that there are more troops going to and coming from that part of India than from any other. Probably some 12,000 men, women, and children are conveyed yearly between Deolali and the Punjab, and we are not very far wrong in stating that Government would save in the cost of special troop trains something like a lakh of rupees a year. The difference in distance between Delhi and Khundwa *viâ* Nasirabad and *viâ* Allahabad is over 200 miles, the former of course the shorter.

This, however, is only a small matter compared with the intense inconvenience that would be felt on account of the break of gauge if ever any sudden concentration of a large body of troops had to be made in Northern India or in Bombay. A very small force, with its proportion of cavalry, artillery, and baggage animals, takes up a very large quantity of railway stock. The small force that went to Egypt required about thirty-four special trains, exclusive of those for carrying the baggage animals, which numbered about twenty-four. There was thus a total of about sixty special trains required, and it was very seldom that the same vehicle could be used twice, as the downward movement was too rapid to admit of it. A narrow gauge line could not have performed the operation in two months, and with the amount of rolling-stock at present available on the Rajputana-Malwa Railway, it would have been hopeless to commence the task with even two months to do it in. So that from a military, as well as from a commercial, point of view, a change of gauge from broad to narrow, on the trunk line of railway communication, is obviously disastrous, and from no one line of argument can it be defended, except Sir Richard Temple's favourite line on this subject, that "it is better to have a narrow gauge railway than no railway at all." Quite so. It is doubtless better to have a bad pair of boots than no boots ; but it is fatally false economy to have bad boots because they are cheap. Cheapness, of course, is the real ground of our being afflicted with narrow gauge railways.

THE Bombay tonnage scale has again been under the consideration of the Chamber of Commerce, and resolutions have been passed which will have the effect of removing some of the anomalies that have hitherto disfigured it. Having regard to their attitude on a former occasion, it was only natural that the representatives of the regular liners should object to any alteration being made in the tonnage scale as it now stands. It is somewhat difficult, however, to understand the reasons which are influencing them. It is their practice to fix the charges for various descriptions of cargo as they consider most suitable for their steamers. Their engagements also are seldom made any considerable length of time before the date of the steamer's arrival, and are never given under the heading of "lawful merchandise," which would permit of merchants shipping any description of cargo they chose. For a long time past they have been in the habit of taking wheat at a reduction of about 2s. 6d. per ton as compared with other cargo, thereby proving that they, as well as everybody else, recognise that wheat is a better article to carry at 16 cwts. in the ton than any other description of Bombay cargo. As therefore they never engage wheat without knowing that wheat—and not linseed—will be shipped, it seems difficult to understand why they should object when shippers ask them to quote for a ton of wheat composed of 18 cwts., instead of 16 cwts. as formerly. Surely for them it is purely a question of price. It would appear, from Mr. Sutherlan I's closing remarks at the meeting of shipowners recently held in London, that the principal objection of the regular liners to the proposed alterations in the tonnage scale is that they would encourage speculation in steamer freights. The views expressed by Mr. Sutherland have not been favourably criticised in Bombay commercial circles. The grounds given for his antipathy to an alteration in the scale will be sufficient, we have little doubt, to open the eyes of the owners of outside steamers, as the very best thing that could happen to them would be the encouragement of speculation in freights. Mr. Parker and Mr. Mackay stood up manfully for the shipowners' point of view. Mr. Mackay remarked that of twenty-five firms that had signed a representation to the Chamber suggesting the alterations in the tonnage scale, ten of them had not shipped a single bag of seeds or wheat during the last six months. But as a matter of fact, nearly every firm in Bombay is interested in the seed and wheat trade, not necessarily because they ship seeds or wheat themselves, but because they take consignments and make advances on shipments. Therefore on behalf of their native shippers they were perfectly justified in supporting such a representation as was made to the Chamber. Mr. Mackay's argument that it was known all over the world what a fine harbour and grand dock Bombay possesses was certainly one of the strongest arguments that could be urged in favour of placing the Bombay tonnage scale on a parity with that obtaining at other ports. The natural advantages and magnificent accommodation for rapid loading and discharging possessed by this port will always give it an immense superiority over other ports in attracting tonnage ; and with these advantages it is hardly likely that where two steamers were offering formerly there will now be only one, simply because they are asked to quote for 18 cwts. instead of 16 cwts. to the ton. We cannot help thinking that in making a stand against any modification of the tonnage scale, the regular lines are taking up a position which must prove detrimental to their own interests. It is they alone who have assumed an attitude of no surrender ; outside steamers show no disinclination to abide by the decision of the Chamber of Commerce. Already, we are informed, twenty steamers have been chartered on the amended scale, and there is every indication that the movement in favour of the new order of things is spreading. In commercial circles the alterations in the tonnage scale are regarded with considerable satisfaction, as is evident from the fact that more than twenty of the leading export firms have expressed their preference for the new scale. The Committee of the Chamber of Commerce also have pressed upon the agents of the regular liners the desirability of accepting the alterations proposed. This we hope they will see their way to do, for any antagonism between shipping and commercial interests must produce a very prejudicial effect upon the trade of the port. It is a great pity that discord and ill-feeling should exist in the Chamber in regard to the matter. While we cannot approve of a persistent opposition to what has been distinctly said to be the wish of the majority of the members of the Chamber, we cannot help sympathising with Mr. Parker when he complains that shipowners were not consulted before an alteration was made in the scale. Had this course been adopted friction between one section of the members and another would probably have been avoided, though the result as regards the tonnage scale would have been precisely the same.

THE letter from "An Elderly Subaltern," which we published a day or two since, goes very far towards substantiating the charges of apathy and neglect of their own interest on the part of the subalterns of the Bombay Staff Corps, which were contained in our recent article on the subject of the Defence Fund. We do not think it argues much interest in the movement that "An Elderly Subaltern" should have contented himself with gathering his knowledge of what was going on from the necessarily short references that have been made to it in the daily press. The subalterns in Bengal and Madras have apparently taken some trouble to satisfy themselves on the points which appear to be exercising the mind of our correspondent, and their investigations would appear to have set at rest their suspicious of the *bona fides* of the promoters and the chance of a favourable issue to the undertaking. At least such would seem to be the natural deduction from the appearance of the list of supporters of the movement. We do not think we should be far wrong in stating that of the amount at present subscribed 7-10ths came from Bengal, 1-5th from Madras, while Bombay has contributed 1-10th ! The amount estimated as necessary to meet the expenses was about £500, of which about 4-5ths has, we believe, already been subscribed. We do not quite agree with our correspondent as to the inexpediency of a middle-man, who may be expected to reap some pecuniary benefit. If he looks forward to a time when his cause will be taken up out of pure philanthropy, he will be very likely to carry his troubles down to the grave with him unalleviated. However, it is no matter of ours. We shall be none the better or none the worse whether Staff Corps subalterns get their companies in ten years or in twelve. We have done all we can to help them, and if they choose not to help themselves, but to write half a column of possible reasons why they should investigate thoroughly the movement before subscribing, instead of writing to Messrs. Grindlay, Groom, and Co., and getting all the information they require from them on the subject, and acting accordingly, they will have no one to thank but themselves if they do not get their position improved before it is too late.

SIR CHARLES JAMES NAPIER, G.C.B.

DRAW me not without cause—sheathe me not with out honour.—*Inscription on his father's sword which he wore at the Bombay Banquet*, 1851. (1)

THERE is no presumption surely in endeavouring to keep alive the spirit and acts of a great man who won distinction in Western India. We claim Sir Charles Napier as a Bombay man. When he came to India he landed at Bombay, and when he took his final departure it was from Bombay he sailed away. Moreover, he commanded a Bombay army in Poona. In Sind he said, "I am a Bombay general commanding Bombay troops ;" and again, "I feel fearless of an enemy at the head of Bombay troops ;" and again, "With the Bombay soldiers of Miani and Hyderabad I could walk through all lands. They are active, daring, hardy chaps, worthy of Sivaji himself." Nor need we feel embarrassed because of the mighty bickerings which once gathered round the name of Napier in Bombay. All memory of them has died away, and they are nearly a sealed book to the present generation. Time is a great purifier, for we feel as if we had no concern with the actors in these fierce hostilities. It is sufficient for us that Sir Charles Napier has long since emerged from the dross of dismal contentions, in full panoply, the first warrior of his age and the deliverer of Sind. He was born at Whitehall, London, 1782, fought the battle of Miani, 17th February, 1843, and died 1853. His last public appearance was at the funeral of the Duke of Wellington, where he was a pall-bearer. He there caught a cold, from which he never recovered. (2) He was a small-bodied man, in height, girth, and weight, but wiry and so muscular that in early life he could hold out a musket at arm's length by the muzzle. He wore his hair long. He had dark lustrous eyes ; was shortsighted, in India used goggles ; and was exceedingly afraid of blindness coming upon him, and owing to his weakness of vision found himself, especially in action, at a terrible disadvantage. He describes himself as thin, sharp, and black, which is all true. On leaving India he said, "I hope I may not be among the ghosts of the Red Sea ; as I am so like Moses, Pharoah would shout, 'We have him at last,' and fall on me tooth and nail." In his last days he writes, "Tell the lady who wants so much to see me that she must catch a mouse, let it look out of an oakum bag, and she has my portrait." (3) This is capital caricature. You could scarcely see his face for hair, from which his dark eyes peered out ; and he had very few gray hairs even at 70. His powers of endurance were wonderful. Bear in mind that the feats performed by him, selected by us at random, were done when he was over 60, under the burning sun of Sind or the Dekkan. "At Poona I knocked off 54 miles in the heat. . . . I shall make a ride of 42 miles after sundown to-night, which will make 55 miles for my day. *Ætat* 62. Came here last night very tired after a seventy-mile ride, but wrote my despatch before lying down. I rode from daybreak to daybreak, and falling asleep on my horse, I was awoke by his stopping. *Æt.* 63. I have been on horseback from 4 in the morning till 2 in the afternoon ; slept 13 hours without turning a hair . . . Our march of 22 miles ended at midday ; I then slept under a tree, waiting baggage, and had breakfast at 2 p.m. Up at four ; rode 10 miles ; breakfast at 7 ; *write, write, write* till 5, when horse waits for me to review two regiments. *Æt.* 68. In 1845 I rode a camel 75 miles without a halt, and I was 15 hours a day on horseback for five days, with a flux upon me, in Kohat." In a wild devil-me-care letter which he writes to his mother, when a young man, he paints himself black enough : "Abusing the army, pulling off my breeches, cursing creditors, and putting out the candle, all in a minute, I jumped into bed and lay there blaspheming, praying, and perspiring for two hours until sleep came." And, again, he says, "Now for a dose of opium," a small one we presume, and not De Quincey's daily ration of 8,000 drops of laudanum. But he left all these habits behind him in England—except the praying and the perspiration, which he brought faithfully out to India, as we shall see further on.

A Scotch ditty runs—

Napier is a Peer, but Nae Peer is he,
Napier is a Peer, but how can that be ?

Everybody knows that Wellington and Napier were two very different men. So for that matter were their prototypes in a way, Agamemnon and Achilles ; the one famous for dignity, power, and majesty, the other for chivalrous spirit, bravery, and unrelenting hatred. Wellington and Napier were different in the accident of their birth, their education, and the means by which each attained to the pinnacle of fame. The one by slow and painful steps reached it, and Wellington towers far above Napier, and indeed all his contemporaries. Wellington was 34 at Assaye, Napier 60 at Miani. The one was a Conservative, the other a Radical in theory, but practically a monarchist in politics ; the one unpopular, the other popular in the army. That Wellington considered Napier the next best soldier to himself is evidenced by his words when Sir Charles was still hesitating about going to India in 1849—"If you don't, I must"—which settled the question ; and what is known to all the world is this, that Wellington was a great political power in the State : he "stood four square to all the winds that blew," whereas Napier held a secondary position in politics, if any at all.

But the points of resemblance are more numerous than the points of contrast. Both were of Irish descent, and both spent their earlier years on the banks of the Liffey. Both were men of war from their youth up. Both were eight years in India. Both were kind and merciful to the natives, and the beasts of burden did not suffer at their hands. Both were severe disciplinarians, but Wellington was the severest. "What is law for you is law for me ;" and by this maxim the Duke abode ; but in his later life the majesty of Napier could brook no submission unless it suited his purpose ; and it was upon this very question of insubordination to the Governor-General that a link in the chain was broken that bound him to authority, and he drifted away from the Duke and from India. The distinction in this respect between these two men, though a supreme one, is not worth discussing here, for Napier was altogether *sui generis*, a man not to be measured by other men. The God-given instincts of his nature had produced in him a form as complete of its kind as ever existed, and had he wanted these he would not have been Charles Napier. But to continue. Both were down upon the press, and with reason, for in the Bombay press, particularly in Napier's time, there was too much of the liberty of unlicenced printing. Both commanded in Poona, and both received magnificent banquets in Bombay on the eve of their departure, though each in his own time had once, if not oftener, used bad words on the Bombay Government, and had a good chance of being burned in effigy in Bombay itself. And here it may be observed that their action

TELEGRAMS.

THE STATUTORY CIVILIANS AND THE ILBERT BILL.

(FROM THE DEFENCE ASSOCIATION.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 14.

The Defence Association have received a telegram from London, dated December 13, stating that Mr. Whitley Stokes writes to the *Times* to-day to contradict Mr. Hunter. He says that if the Statutory Civilians are included he disapproves even of the present Bill.

ASSENSOLE RACES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

RANEEGUNGE, DEC. 13.

There was a very good attendance and good sport again at Assensole to-day. The following are the results :—

FLYAWAY STAKES.

¼ mile heats.

Cinabar, 10st. 2lbs., Captain Webb... .. 1
Trout, 11st. 6lbs., Mr. John 2

Eight ran. An objection was lodged against Cinabar for not racing with the rest in the second heat, though winning the first and third time. Time—31 secs.

GIVE-AND-TAKE STAKES.

1 mile.

Goldmohur, 9st. 5lbs., Tingey 1
Temptation, 7st. 8lbs., native 2

Four ran. Won comfortably in two minutes.

ALL-HORSE RACE.

2 miles.

Bluebell, 11st., Captain Webb 1
Mercedes, 11st., Mr. Rowland 2
Lord Beaconsfield, 11st., Mr. John 3

Won after a good race by half-a-length. Time—3 min. 55 secs.

PONY RACE.

½ mile.

Millicent, 10st. 12lbs., Captain Webb ... 1
Slowcoach, 12st., Mr. Rowland..... 2

Four ran. Won easily. Time—1 min. 31 secs.

COLLIERY PURSE.

1 mile.

Black Diamond, 9st. 8lbs., Tingey 1
Old Stager, 9st. 9lbs., Fleming 2

Four ran. Won easily. Time—2 min. 20 secs.

An unfortunate carriage accident occurred at the outset of the evening ; a lady was thrown out of her conveyance and broke her leg.

RANEEGUNGE, DEC. 14.

The Assensole meeting concluded to-day with good sport.

FREE HANDICAP.

½ mile.

Red Deer, 10st. 7lb., Perrett 1
Terrible Billy, 10st. 4lb., Captain Webb. 2
Norwester, 9st. 3lb., Butler 3

Eulo, Lantern, Fly, and Mercedes also ran. A good race ; won by two lengths. Time—52½ secs.

PONY HANDICAP.

½ mile.

Millicent, 11st. 2lb., Captain Webb..... 1
Temptation, 11st. 10lb., Mr. Nowland... 2
Muscat, 9st., Mr. Duncombe..... 3

Won by three lengths. Time—1 min. 31 secs.

GALLOWAY HANDICAP.

½ mile.

Glacioline, 10 st., Tingey 1
Goldmohur, 9st. 6lb., Perrett. 2
Temptation, 7st. 4lb., Native 3

Won by a couple of lengths. Time—55 secs.

MATCH—Rs. 200.

¾ mile.

Robert the Devil, 9st. 10lb., Pogose..... 1
Flossie, 9st., Perrett 2

Won easily.

ALL-HORSE HANDICAP.

1 mile.

Red Deer, 10st. 7lb., Mr. Frant 1
Little Dick, 10st., Tingey 2
Blue Bell, 11st., Captain Webb 3

Lord Beaconsfield also ran. Capital race ; won by a neck, the rest close up. Time—1 min. 52 secs.

COMBINED HANDICAP.

For railway and colliery horses.

Ralph, 10st. 6lb., Captain Webb 1
Black Diamond, 10st. 11lb., Tingey..... 2
Old Stager, 10st., Mr. Apples..... 3

Won easily. Time 1 min. 37½ secs. The objection to Cinabar on the second day is undecided. An objection has also been lodged against Temptation running on the first day, on account of his height.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

NEWS FROM ANNAM.

LONDON, DEC. 14.

Reports have reached here from Annam that the anti-French party have poisoned the King, and intend to declare war against France.

FORTIFICATION OF CANTON

News from Hongkong states that Canton is being strongly fortified.

H. M. TROOPSHIP EUPHRATES.

The Troopship Euphrates left Plymouth yesterday for Bombay.

RUMOURED DESERTIONS OF THE MAHDI'S FOLLOWERS.

CAIRO, DEC. 13.

Spies are bringing in reports that wholesale desertions are taking place amongst the followers of the Mahdi.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LIVERPOOL, DEC. 13.

The Anchor Line steamer Nubia left here for Bombay this morning.

LISBON, DEC. 14.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Canara, outward bound for Bombay, Kurrachee and Malabar Coast, left here yesterday evening.

SUEZ, DEC. 13.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Murray left here this morning.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Ranald arrived this morning.

The Cie. Nationale's steamer Canton, from Bombay, left this afternoon for Marseilles.

COLOMBO, DEC. 14.

French Mail steamer Tibre, from Calcutta, arrived.

LONDON, DEC. 13.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed quiet. Surats steady.

The London Cotton market has been flat.

Fair Dhollera ..... 4d.

The Manchester market has been quiet.

4 per cent. Rupee Paper..... 80
4½ " 82¾
3 per cent. Consols for account..... 100⅜
3½ " Sterling Loan..... 102¼
4½ " French Rentes..... 106
Bar Silver..... 50⅜

The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results :—

Reserve of notes and gold and silver coin in the Banking Dept. combined.....£13,000,000, Inc. £500,000
Bills Discounted .....£19,800,000, Inc. £300,000
Bullion, total amount in the Banking and Issue Department combined .. ...£22,100,000 , Inc. £200,000

The proportion of the Reserve to the Liabilities is 44 per cent.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

THURSDAY, NIGHT, Dec. 13.

10 p.m ... ... 72·7

FRIDAY, Dec. 14.

6 a.m. ... ... 69·9
10 a.m. ... ... 77·1
2 p.m. ... ... 82·1
4 p.m. ... ... 80·2

THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT, after spending a couple of days at Benares, left the sacred city on the 12th inst. by special train for Lucknow, where they were to arrive the same evening.

AT a sitting of the Appeal Court yesterday, the Land Mortgage Bank of India obtained a rule nisi for leave to appeal to the Privy Council from the judgment of Mr. Justice Bayley and Mr. Justice West, given some time ago in the case of the Land Mortgage Bank against Ahmedbhoy Hubibbhoy and another. The original decision in the court below was given by Sir Charles Sargent, who awarded the Land Mortgage Bank Rs. 40,000 as damages for the loss and nuisance caused to the Grant Buildings, the property of the bank. Mr. Ahmedbhoy having appealed from that decision, Mr. Justice Bayley and Mr. Justice West reduced the amount of damages to Rs. 1,000. It is from the latter judgment that the bank now wants to appeal to the Privy Council. The rule *nisi* above-mentioned directs Mr. Ahmedbhoy to show cause why the bank should not be granted a certificate to appeal to the Privy Council. If no sufficient cause be shown, the appeal will go.

A FULL BENCH, consisting of five judges of the High Court, set yesterday to deliver judgment in the matter of an application made by the Pleaders' Association of Western India in October last, asking that a circular be issued intimating to all the subordinate courts that High Court pleaders were entitled to practise in those courts without special *sanad* or permission ; and further that the last sentence in rule 14 of the Pleaders' Examination Rules be cancelled. The judges who presided were Mr. Justice Bayley, Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice West, Mr. Justice Pinhey, Mr. Justice Scott, and Mr. Justice Latham. The Chief Justice was of opinion that, under the present law, the pleaders of the High Court were not entitled, as they contended they were, to practise in the Presidency Small Causes Court. After an elaborate review of the existing enactments, his lordship said the court was bound to reject the application in both its branches. The other judges, arguing from different points of view, concurred in opinion with the Chief Justice. Mr. Justice West remarked it was to be regretted that the pleaders of the High Court should be excluded from the Small Causes Court even for a time ; but the proper remedy was to be found not in a loose and illegitimate construction of the existing law, but in a new law specifically adapted to the mischief which it was desired to remedy. The pleaders' application was unanimously rejected by their lordships.

The *Englishman* and the *Pioneer* are in danger of seriously falling out over the Jurisdiction Bill. The latter's correspondent at Calcutta telegraphed on the 12th instant :—

"The local papers publish to-day statements, very nearly identical in terms, dealing with the paragraph in Monday's *Pioneer* which drew attention to Mr. Keswick's attendance at the opening of the Exhibition, and argue therefrom that he was the representative 'of that rapidly growing section of the Opposition which prefers reason to passion as a guide.' The papers state that Mr. Keswick received an invitation from the Lieutenant-Governor, addressed to him as President of the Chamber of Commerce, and that he attended in that capacity. Although a member of the Executive Committee of the Exhibition, he was not of the number who received the Viceroy on his arrival at the Museum, and he refused an invitation to the dinner at Government House on the 4th December, when the Viceroy entertained the gentlemen connected with the Exhibition. The *Englishman* is indignant that Mr. Keswick should be suspected of a desire to play the part of a political Iscariot or to 'share the discredit of a ratting Allahabad journal.'"

THE *Civil and Military Gazette* sensibly remarks :—"The Committee of the European and Anglo-Indian Defence Association is wasting its money in getting further telegrams from London about the interview between Lord Kimberley and Mr. Atkins. Mr. Atkins avers that Lord Kimberley made an observation which, besides being indiscreet, would evidently be inconsistent with facts. Lord Kimberley denies that he said anything of the kind. Whatever his faults may be, the Secretary of State has never before been suspected even of that form of diplomatic prevarication which some statesmen seem to regard as excusable ; and it is absurd to suppose that his lordship is trying to deceive the public now in a matter like this. Mr. Atkins, on the other hand, is a man who, though as honest, no doubt, and incapable of a lie as a Secretary of State, is quite untrained in the art of interviewing, and may very well have missed the point of what Lord Kimberley said. At any rate Lord Kimberley's contradiction should be regarded as final ; and it is useless to try and make any more of it."

THE leader in the recent Aka raid, it appears, is by no means a primitive savage, but a young man who was educated in the Zilla School at Tezpore, and made such progress with his studies that he received an allowance from Government, and was only last year recommended for a scholarship. It was his father, however, who led the last Aka raid which cut up the Balipara guard. The man's exploit for which he served two years in Gowhatty jail—and it is easy to understand, the Allahabad paper thinks, how the transmitted instinct of patriotism (or freebooting) has proved too strong in the son for the artificial lessons of education.

AN up-country paper hears of "a Limited Liability Company in formation in London for the purpose of establishing a superb Indian *restaurant* in Pall Mall, nearly opposite the Haymarket. If we are rightly informed, an agent must be even now on his way to this country to recruit 3 *chamar* or Mug cooks, 20 *khidmutgars*, 4 *khansamahs*, and (whimsical detail !) an artist in *puggris*. Nothing is said about *mussalchis*. The *khidmutgars* will receive a pound per mensem, or the equivalent in rupees at the exchange of the day, but the wages of the *bawarchis*, *khansamahs*, &c., are not stated. All the Indian servants will receive liberal rations, with lodging (in a kind of special barrack) and washing free. The agent, 'an officer formerly well known at Lucknow,' will have it in charge to make, and formally register, three-year contracts with the several servants engaged—these contracts to provide for all the particulars of travel and voyage expenses, treatment in sickness, penalties for misconduct or desertion of duty, and payment, if desired, of a servant's part-wages to his family left in India during his absence. The agent will further arrange for the regular despatch to London, fresh, and fresh, *taza ba taza*, of such mysterious ingredients of curries, chutnees, &c., as are either not to be procured at all in England, or procurable only in stale and fusty condition. So far as we can judge," remarks the *Pioneer*, "from the merely manuscript prospectus with which we have been favoured, this *Indian Restaurant* will not by any means confine itself to a Hindustani *cuisine*. There will be an eminent French (or rather Belgian) *chef* with a staff of English feminine assistants. How the Belgian artist will get on with his Mug and *chamar* colleagues—how the kitchen damsels will get on (whether too ill or too well) with their dark associates—and how general harmony is to be evolved from the discord of tongues, are points which leave room for conjecture, though we presume they have all met with due consideration from 'the management.'"

THE HON. W. W. HUNTER, presiding at the prize distribution at St. Xavier's College, Calcutta, on the 11th inst., referred to the work of the Education Commission. He is reported to have stated that when the Commission came to the task of practically working out the system of ethical teaching for Indian schools, it found the difficulties arising from differences in religious and ethical belief in India to be so great that it had in the end to confine itself to recommendations of rather a general character. Discussion of general principles could not be altogether avoided, as they had to arrive at distinct conclusions on questions of principle, such as the religious problem, which nearly brought about a crisis with the Commission, the limits of legislative interference and the relative claims not merely of various grades of education, but also of various races and classes of the people. Thanks to the admirable spirit of conciliation which characterised his colleagues, the difficulty was overcome, and he believed the result would be a great extension of popular education on those prudent lines which Lord Ripon had advocated throughout his long public life. But while the Commission has thus been able to formulate a definite plan for the extension of education, the carrying out of that plan must rest with the local Governments, and, above all, with the provincial Departments of Public Instruction.

NEWS reached India, some months ago, of the arrival of two French travellers in Merv. From an article published in the Paris *Journal des Débats*, it would seem that Baron Mechin and the Compte de Mailly have perfomed a very remarkable journey. They started from Pekin three years ago, and journeyed overland through Manchuria to Vladivostock. From Vladivostock they went through Siberia to Irkutsk, and from Irkutsk through Semipalatinsk to Tashkend. Here the Governor-General of Russian Turkestan gave them an introduction to one of the Merv Khans ; and they reached Merv safely. Later they turned up at Meshed in safety, whence they travelled to Teheran and on to Russia, reaching St. Petersburg on the 4th of last month.

THE following particulars are obtained from the statistics of the population enumerated in the Andamans at the last census. The area of Port Blair is 880 square miles, and the total population of both sexes amounts to 14,628, consisting of 12,640 males and 1,988 females. This gives a density per square mile of 16·66. These people speak as many as 31 languages, and are distributed according to religion in the following manner :—Of Hindus of both sexes there are 9,668 ; of Mahomedans 3,773 ; of Christians 584. There are 68 Brahmos, 30 Buddhists, 5 Koals, 31 Chinese, 15 Sonthals, 339 Sikhs, and 115 of other religions (jangali). The total number of convicted male prisoners is given at 7,440 ; the rest of the male population, excluding 1,621 who are unspecified, are occupied in sixty different pursuits. Those who are in service form the largest number of them, 1,528 ; and the next largest group is that of cultivators, who number 1,278. The most popular calling next to these seems to be that of milk-seller, for there are 109 of them. Shop-keeping also appears to be very paying, as it finds occupation for 88 people. As many as 52 dhobies, 42 sweet-meat sellers, 38 carpenters, 31 barbers, 24 blacksmiths, and 20 tailors form the bulk of the remaining male population. Eleven railway contractors form a rather surprising item in this list, while the fact of there being only two doctors and one teacher in the whole of the Andamans seems to suggest an opening for some of our graduates who are in search of occupation.

SAYS the *Spectator* :—"The English are beginning in a vague way to realise the magnitude of India, and to comprehend that it contains some fifty millions more people than all Europe west of the Vistula. Few, however, are quite aware of the number of its cities, or believe that it includes sixty-two with more than 50,000 people, and twenty-two with more than 100,000, namely, Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Hydrabad, Lucknow, Benares, Delhi, Patna, Agra, Bangalore, Umritsur, Cawnpore, Lahore, Allahabad, Jeypore, Rangoon, Poona, Ahmedabad, Bareilly, Surat, Howrah, and Baroda. We give them in order of population, but, properly speaking, in the English way of counting, Howrah, the Southwark of Calcutta, should be included in the capital, which with it contains above 866,000 souls, and is the greatest, as it is by far the wealthiest city in the Empire. Below the limit of 50,000 the towns become much more numerous, and there are hundreds with populations above 20,000. The majority of the latter are quite unknown to Europeans, an active magistrate or two excepted ; and, so far as we are aware, there is no book in English which gives the slightest account of their organisation, or of the life and people in them. Yet many of them have histories of two thousand years, and in all flourish families which think themselves noble, and have long pedigrees, and stirring tales to narrate. Now and then every now and then much of Indian Princes who in India are hardly mentioned, and of 'educated natives,' a scarcely perceptible class, but of the true 'British India' as little is known at home as of the eastern provinces of Peru."

A GOOD deal is said about coquetting with the Irish vote, says the *Pall Mall*. But what do Conservatives think of the following appeal to the Irish electors of York, which was issued the day before the poll by the local managers of the Conservative party in that city ?

You hold a position of the greatest influence and importance in the election pending in this city, and on your votes mainly depend the issue of the contest. The present tyrannical Government is banishing Ireland's starving children in shiploads to America. The reason the present Government sets at defiance the wishes of the Irish members is that they have such an enormous majority at their back. Irishmen should reduce that majority. The Conservatives generally, and Sir Frederick Milner particularly, wish to buy up the waste lands and distribute them to the Irish peasantry on easy terms. . . . When the Conservatives get into power reduce *their* majority by voting at all elections for Liberals, till you have got the number pretty evenly balanced on both sides in Parliament. You can do this in York. You are strong enough to do it in nearly every city and town in Great Britain, and then, and not till then, will Parnell and his faithful band of followers be in a position to dictate terms to every Government that shall hold office in England.

The placard of which the above is a summary was issued from the Conservative committee rooms, and printed by the Conservative printer on behalf of the gentlemen who were working the election for Sir Frederick Milner.

MR. O'DONOVAN had a presentiment of disaster when he went with the expedition to the Soudan. Writing to a friend in Dublin recently, he said he had sad misgivings as to what would happen to the expedition. "Should I come out of this, my eighth campaign," he said, "I shall certainly begin to think I was not born to be killed in battle." Before leaving England Mr. O'Donovan made a will disposing of the money received by him from the publisher of his work on Merv.

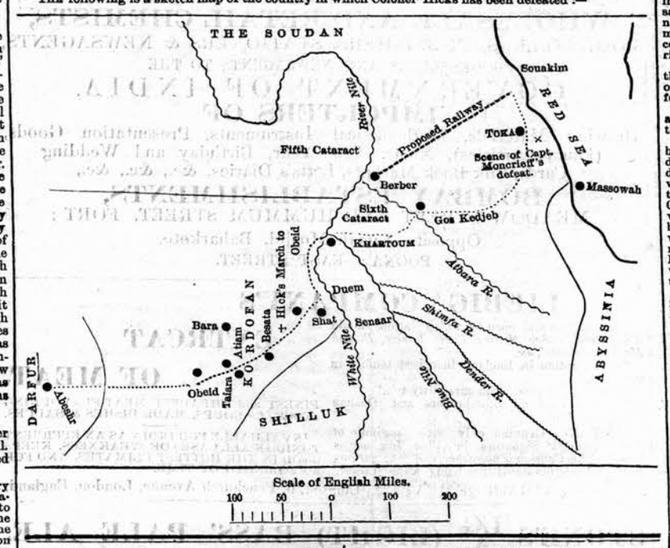
THE London correspondent of the *Manchester Guardian* writes:—I hear wonderful accounts of the linguistic aptitude and achievements of the Crown Prince of Portugal, who is only a few weeks over twenty years of age. He has already acquired a private library of some 40,000 volumes, containing many rare and precious editions of the leading authors of the world. But he promises in addition to develop into the Mezzofanti of his age, for he not only speaks English with competent facility after no more than two years' study, but converses in fourteen languages, so that he is the master approximately of all the languages of Europe.

THE Durban correspondent of the *Standard* states that confirmatory reports have been received from Zululand concerning the reverses which befell the forces of Usibepu and Oham. These chiefs have been summoned to Ekowe, with the object, it is supposed, of compelling them to give some account of themselves. Oham, however, excused himself from attending on the ground that he has a bad foot, and Usibepu sent word that he would not go to Ekowe unless the British officials, by whose orders he acted all through the recent events, were also ordered to be present. Taking advantage of the anarchy prevailing, the Dutch residents on the Transvaal border have, it is stated, been carrying off the mealies. Mr. Osborn, the Resident Commissioner, has returned from Zululand, and it is believed that some movement respecting the position of Cetewayo will now soon be made.

SCOTCHMEN will be more than ever convinced, says the *Pall Mall Gazette*, that no good thing can come out of any place south of the Tweed by the results of the genealogical researches which M. de Lesseps has just made known. Like so many other Frenchmen, he is really, it seems, a Scotchman. In Scotland there were many Lasseps and Lassels, Lesseps and Lassels, while in France there were none of his name except himself and his own family. One of his direct ancestors was with James II. at St. Germain, and it was at that time that his family settled in France. The discovery of his Scotch origin seems to have made a great impression on M. de Lesseps, for he referred to the matter at considerable length twice over during his visit to Newcastle ; and indeed, some of the details are highly interesting from the point of view of hereditary genius. M. de Lesseps is proud of being a diplomatist ; and the conduct of one of his ancestors who was ordered to arrest Henry IV. of France, but who, instead of arresting the King, forewarned him of his danger, may perhaps be taken to show that diplomacy runs in the family. So, again, although M. de Lesseps modestly disclaims being himself in any sort an engineer, it is interesting to know that one of his ancestors followed a technical profession, and that, according to vestry records still preserved, the Cathedral of Edinburgh was built by an architect named Lesseps.

THE SOUDAN.

THE following is a sketch map of the country in which Colonel Hicks has been defeated :—



MILITARY NEWS.

CAPTAIN R. P. SANDEMAN, 10th Hussars, has been ordered to join the Hythe course commencing on 1st March, 1884.

THE following postings have been made :—Captain Purchas, South Lancashire ; Captain Strong, Scottish Rifles ; Captain Robinson and Lieutenant Willmott, Northumberland Fusiliers ; Lieutenant Fisher, Norfolk ; Major Roussell and Captain Couper, East Surrey ; and Lieutenant Moseley, Lincolnshire—all to the second battalions of their Regiments ; Captain Haines, Royal Warwickshire, Captain Vance, Leinster ; and Lieutenant de Berry, Royal Irish Fusiliers, to the first battalions.

THE following Royal Engineer officers, now in England, have been placed under orders for duty in the Bengal Presidency :—Captains S. M. Kirke and A. Healthcote, Lieutenants W. M. Ellis, W. R. Morton, E. M. B. Newman, and H. M. Chapman.

LIEUTENANT E. H. J. REAY, Wiltshire Regiment, has been removed to the second Battalion of his regiment.

VETERINARY SURGEONS A. F. APPLETON and A. H. Waddell, Army Veterinary Department, have been placed under orders for India, and will embark in December.

SUICIDE OF A SOLDIER.—A correspondent writes from Sitapore, December 10 :—We have just seen another melancholy instance of the baneful consequences of allowing soldiers unlimited access to their ammunition. Private Frederick Murray, of the 2nd Lincolnshire Regiment, committed suicide here on Saturday (December 8) under most painful circumstances, during a fit of temporary insanity. He had been very depressed in spirits for some little time past, but his comrades had noticed nothing sufficient to warrant them in reporting his condition to the authorities. He had been on guard the previous night and spent the morning cleaning his accoutrements. It is supposed that he had some bad news from home by the mail which had just arrived, as he was noticed to destroy the letter which he received ; but his barrack-room companions, some of whom were present at the time, little expected the terrible tragedy on which he was bent, and suddenly—even before he was discovered to be making the attempt—he placed his rifle to his mouth and blew his brains out. It is not many weeks ago since a comrade of this poor man, while under the influence of drink, attempted his life in a similar manner, and was only saved by a miracle, through the bravery of a non-commissioned officer, who, at the risk of his own life, wrenched the loaded rifle from his hands just in time to prevent the awful deed. Can nothing be done to prevent such a temptation being placed in the way of insane, hard drinkers, and men of violent tempers ? Those in command, if they only had permission, could easily arrange to withdraw ammunition from the men in such a way as not to interfere with its being at hand whenever it was really required.—*Pioneer*

THE STOCK-NOTE SYSTEM.

ON the 11th September last the Bombay Government forwarded to the Chamber of Commerce copies of the Resolution of the Government of India, dated August 10, 1883 (already published), on the subject of the means to be adopted for encouraging investments in Stock Notes, and requesting the Chamber "to favour Government with their views, after consulting the principal local banks, on the several points discussed in the Resolution."

The following is the Chamber's reply, dated the 8th inst., and addressed "To the Under-Secretary to Government, Financial Department" :—

Bombay Chamber of Commerce, Bombay, 8th December, 1883.

To the Under-Secretary to Government, Financial Department.

Sir,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 3305, dated the 11th September last, forwarding copies of the Government of India's Resolution No. 2599 of the 10th of August, on the subject of the means to be adopted for encouraging investments in Stock Notes, and requesting the Chamber to favour Government with its views, after consulting the principal local banks, on the several points discussed in the Resolution.

The Committee having referred the Resolution to the various banks, and to persons of experience in such matters, have now the honour to submit their views on the subject.

The chief cause which militates against the popularity of the Stock Note system appears to be that the price at which the notes are issued is higher than the rate at which the 4 per cent. Government Loans are allotted, and that for this and other reasons they compare unfavourably as an investment with the latter security. It results that Stock Notes have proved to be most difficult of negotiation, and that the holder of them is confronted with the alternative of having his money locked up for a period of twenty years or of realizing at a heavy discount.

The low denominations of the regular Government Loan Notes, and the widely extended system of Savings Banks, offer to the class of small investors, to whom the Stock Note system was specially addressed, facilities for depositing small sums of money at interest which must always compete very seriously with the popularity of the latter schemes, and, it appears to the Committee, leave little or no room for its successful operation.

There does not, moreover, appear to be any likelihood at present of the demand for Stock Notes increasing to any appreciable extent in the Presidency towns. The tendency for many months has been for the ordinary 4 per cent. Government Paper to be under par, and while this continues to be the ordinary state of the market for an investment admittedly more advantageous in many respects, particularly in its possessing the great advantage of being enfaceable for transmission to Europe, little progress can be made in the issue of Stock Notes. Of late the demand for Government Paper for Europe has well-nigh ceased, and further considerable amounts of Rupee Paper have been returned from Europe to India. The immediate cause of this has been that banks, insurance companies, and other institutions at home have been alarmed at the fluctuations in the price of silver and the securities based on it, and have preferred securities based on gold, although yielding a lower rate of interest. The great fluctuations in silver a year ago were no doubt largely due to the Indian Council holding back their drawings month after month for what proved to be a fancy rate of exchange. Since they have returned to the system of meeting the market demand each week, silver has shown more firmness and steadiness. It is therefore possible that Rupee Paper may in course of time resume its former position in Europe. But it is pretty well understood that Government intend adhering to their present policy of raising in India all further loans for Public Works. Looking to the violent fluctuations which are common in the Indian money markets, and the great development which is taking place in the general trade of India, it would be hazardous to calculate on a permanently easy money market in the country. Money has lately become much easier here, and yet 4 per cent. paper is considerably below par, while 4½ per cent. paper is only at a small premium. It is considered a not impossible contingency that Government may have again to resort to a 4½ per cent. loan in renewal of existing 4½ per cents., when these become due, or in raising fresh loans for Public Works. But in any case there seems, in existing circumstances, to be little room for 4 per cent. Stock Notes in the Presidency towns.

The Committee are of opinion that the time has not yet come for the successful introduction of the Stock Note system. The notes do not supply any real or recognised want existing in India ; nor does there seem to be any sign of a demand springing up for them in the present condition of the country. While agriculturists live in the huts they at present inhabit, gold and silver ornaments must be much safer securities to hold than Government securities ; nor will Stock Notes answer while we have a tight money market and the value of the ordinary 4 per cent. Government Paper stands below the issue price of Stock Notes.

With these general remarks on the system the Committee now proceed to submit their opinion on the various suggestions discussed in the following paragraphs of the Resolution.

The suggestion that Stock Notes should be receivable in payment of Government demands seems to the Committee to hardly merit serious consideration.

The suggestion that a market should be created by authorizing the sale of Stock Notes at the Presidency towns, thereby encouraging capitalists to deal in them, appears to the Committee to be one worthy of adoption. It is most unlikely that, with their many disadvantages in comparison with Government Paper, the market for Stock Notes would ever become so great as to interfere with the borrowing powers of Government in the ordinary way. On the other hand, it is probable that the market so created would be the means of Stock Notes finding their way into the hands of investors who do not at present hold, nor are likely to be holders of, ordinary Government Paper.

The objection founded on the non-payment of interest in circles other than that at which a note has been issued, if it has been felt as an obstacle to the sale of Stock Notes, can easily be obviated in the manner indicated in the Resolution.

With regard to the objection that Stock Notes are liable to be lost or destroyed, and that their value can be obtained only with great difficulty, and after a long time has elapsed, the Committee thinks that Government, with the view of encouraging the issue of Stock Notes, might well accept a moderate risk in the case of small amounts, and when satisfactory evidence has been obtained of the note having been destroyed, an officer in the position of the Comptroller-General might be allowed to exercise a wide discretion in the matter of making immediate or early payment in such cases. In the Resolution it appears to be accepted as probable that, in the case of a note which had been lost or was supposed to be destroyed, and the amount of which had been repaid to the claimant under the usual guarantee, turning up again, the indemnity would be worthless. The Committee agree with the conclusion arrived at in the Resolution, that the fact of two respectable men promising to pay in the event of the note being found, of itself affords a guarantee that the note has really been lost ; but the district officer could surely take care that the guarantors were such that in the improbable event of a claim being made on them, one or other of them would be able to meet it without much trouble.

The Committee can see no objection to paying interest on a divided note, if the pieces making up the whole note are produced. The Committee do not see any reason why private individuals might not be licensed as vendors of Stock Notes.

In conclusion, the Committee desire to add that if it is the intention of Government to persist with the scheme, the following suggestions bearing upon its working might be worthy of consideration, and they believe that their adoption might tend to somewhat lessen the disfavour in which the notes are now held :—.

1. They would suggest that the notes be made redeemable within the shortest possible term of years compatible with the objects of Government in the introduction of the scheme. Any reduction from the present term of years would, they think, tend to increase their negotiability.

2. That the interest on the notes be made payable half-yearly, and that some arrangement be adopted by which the payment of that interest could be transferred from one circle to another.

3. That the proposal contained in para. 11 of the Resolution be adopted.

4. That the discount of 1 per cent. now given to the licensed vendors be applied instead towards a reduction of the rate at which the notes are issued.

5. That the appearance and size of the notes be improved, and that they bear the signature of a responsible officer of Government.—I have the honor, &c.

(Sd.) J. GORDON, Secretary.

THE GOVERNMENT AND RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION.

THE following letter has been addressed to the Chambers of Commerce, London, Liverpool, and Manchester in reference to the Bombay Chamber's communication to the Government of India, dated 5th instant, which was published in the *Bombay Gazette* of 10th idem :—

Chamber of Commerce, Bombay, 7th Dec., 1883.

The Secretary, Chamber of Commerce, Manchester, Liverpool, and London.

Dear Sir,—I am directed to forward to you five copies of a letter, dated 5th instant, addressed by this Chamber to the Government of India in support of a Resolution passed by the Madras Chamber of Commerce to the effect that the Government should borrow for public works such sums the interest on which would not exceed the sum levied as a Famine Insurance, viz. £1,500,000. The Committee of this Chamber, however, go further than this ; they advocate, in addition to the proposal made by the Madras Chamber, the application, in whole or in part, of the two-and-a-half millions sterling which Government now raise or provide annually for Productive Public Works, as a fund with which to pay interest on the capital required to be raised to construct State railways on a large and comprehensive scale within the next few years, or to supplement, by way of loan, the capital of the existing railway companies.

The Committee desire me to express their hope that the proposals made in this letter may receive the cordial support of your Chamber ; and they would be much obliged to you if you would kindly cause this letter to be published in the newspapers in England, along with any letters or memorials which your Chamber may think it advisable to write on the subject to the Secretary of State for India.

The Government of India are quite alive to the great necessity which exists for rapidly developing the country by means of railway extensions ; but although these extensions would have the best effect on the commerce and people of India, they are delayed by the action of the home authorities ; and the committee apprehend that, unless this all-important question is taken up vigorously by the English Chambers, and pressed upon the attention of the Government, the progress which will be made in railway construction in India will continue at the same slow rate at which it has hitherto done.

Should your Chamber disapprove of, or prefer, any other mode than that here suggested of raising the necessary capital for the rapid extension of railways on a large and comprehensive scale, the Committee nevertheless hope that you will urge upon the Government that such extensions should be taken in hand at once, and prosecuted with the utmost possible expedition, as being better calculated than any other means to promote the interests of India. I remain, dear sir, yours, &c.,

(Sd.) J. GORDON, Secretary.

THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT AT BENARES.

BENARES, 11th Dec.

AFTER lunch to-day the Duke and Duchess and party, accompanied by the Commissioner and the Collector, started for the Queen's College, and were met at the entrance by the Officiating Principal, who conducted them through the building. Thence the party drove to the Prince of Wales's Hospital. Surgeon-Major Hooper met their Royal Highnesses and conducted them through the wards, while the Duchess visited the female ward in company with Lady Downe. Arriving at the Town Hall their Royal Highnesses inspected the various specimens of brassware laid out on tables in the centre of the hall. In the compound under a large shamiana were representatives of the various handicrafts, such as weavers, jewellers, workers in brass and marble, &c, and the Royal party closely inspected each section, many of the craftsmen being at work at the time. A move was then made towards the city, the party alighting at the Carmichael Library. The visitors were conveyed in sedan chairs to the Purana Bisheshar and Bishwanath Mandirs, where the priests and devotees placed garlands of flowers round the necks of their Royal Highnesses and party. Finally the Man Mandil observatory was reached, and after being shown over this, the visitors re-entered their carrages at Dasisamadi Ghat and drove home viz Sigra.

The Duke and Duchess accepted various little gifts in the shape of brassware curiosities as they passed through the city, and were well pleased at the various sights. The police arrangements throughout were admirable, and reflect great credit on Mr. Parsons, District Superintendent, who rode beside the Royal carriage throughout the way. At the Duke's request the Ghat illuminations have been abandoned, the moon being too high to make them effective.

Immense crowds of natives thronged the streets through which the *cortége* passed, and though there was much enthusiasm, the utmost order prevailed. Neither the Duke nor Duchess looked at all fatigued.

Dec. 12.

The dinner last night was a private one. Afterwards a nautch was given by the Maharajah in the drawing-room, with which their Royal Highnesses were well pleased. Early this morning the Royal party drove down to Rajghat. Getting into the steam-launch they steamed up to Ramnagar and paid the Maharajah a visit of half an hour. Here the Maharajah presented their Highnesses with a nuzzer of shawls. The Duke presented the Maharajah with photos of himself and the Duchess. Returning from Ramnagar in the launch the party alighted at Dasisamadi Ghat and drove to Nandesar for breakfast.

At half-past ten the Royal party drove to the Oudh and Rohilkhand station which was prettily decorated with flags. The departure was private, but the chief civil and military officers were in attendance. After taking a cordial leave of those present, Their Royal Highnesses' special, under charge of Colonel Pemberton, Consulting Engineer, and Mr. Hartwell, Traffic Manager, steamed out of the station at twenty-five minutes to eleven. Lunch will be partaken of at Fyzabad, and the special is timed to reach Lucknow at 6-40 this evening. Their Royal Highnesses are by no means fatigued after yesterday's sight-seeing, and have expressed themselves well pleased with all the arrangements.—*Pioneer*.

THE NEW GOVERNOR OF CEYLON.

SIR ARTHUR GORDON was presented with no ewer than three addresses on the day he landed at Colombo (the 3rd instant,)—one from the members of the Legislative Council, another from the Colombo Municipality, and the third from the Sivhalese native community.

After being sworn in, Sir Arthur made a long speech to the Legislative Council, from which we quote the following passage :—

I have much to learn, much to see and hear, and much to ponder and discuss before my opinions on matters here can be entitled to any real weight. Nor am I disposed to make any hasty promises, which I may find myself unable to fulfil ; but, although it would be altogether premature to speak as though I had made up my mind upon points on which my information is as yet imperfect and as to which I have as yet had no opportunity of consulting either my executive or official advisers in this colony or the general feeling of the community, it will not, I think, be out of place, and it will not, I hope, be altogether distasteful to you, if I state some of the points which to me, as a stranger, it appears my attention will be directed. Of course, the first duty of any Government of Ceylon at this time must be the restoration of the equilibrium between the receipts and the expenditure of the colony. Towards effecting this great object we have received important assistance from the Imperial Government, which has readily consented to the immediate diminution of the vote for military expenditure to the extent of Rs. 240,000. (Applause.) This, I trust, is but an earnest of still further reduction in an expenditure which is admitted to form an undue burden on the colony, and of the establishments to the maintenance of which it is devoted, and of the necessity for which, as they now stand, I am as yet by no means fully convinced, though it would of course be altogether premature for me to form, much more to express, a decided opinion upon that subject without much further consideration. This reduction will not be in itself enough. It will be requisite both to resort to measures of retrenchment and to impose some fresh taxation to secure financial position of the colony. It is my most earnest hope that the period of my connection with the colony may witness the completion of the railway in its entirety. (Applause.) While that work remains incomplete, it can never be profitable and it can never be regarded as successful. (Applause.) Unless I am firmly convinced that its continuance cannot be undertaken without criminal rashness (a conclusion at which I shall be very reluctant and very slow to arrive) I shall certainly do my best to induce the Imperial Government and the Legislature of this colony to consent to the efforts and the sacrifices which will no doubt be necessary to accomplish that object. Here, again, I must only express a strong desire. I make no promise, which, notwithstanding my wishes, I may hereafter find to be impracticable. It will be the object of my anxious consideration whether any measures can with utility and propriety be undertaken by Government to diminish those misfortunes which now press on those to whom the colony owes the position it has won, and which I trust it will not lose. It is also my desire to pursue vigorously the policy so warmly advocated and successfully initiated by several of the ablest and most distinguished of my predecessors—I mean that of fostering the growth of agricultural pursuits among the masses of the people, and promoting their well-being by the construction and renovation of well-considered works of irrigation. (Applause.) Many other questions will no doubt speedily press on my attention and demand consideration : such, for instance, as suggested by Mr. Vincent's report on the Crown Forests. But these are matters with respect to which I shall anxiously look for the advice and assistance of the Legislature and the public opinion of this colony. (

and our children be robbed of any of the cheerfulness of the old-fashioned Christmas Cards? High art is not for such a season. We eat and drink, at these times, and laugh and talk, in our heartiest manner. We want merry books and merrily-coloured pictures to send to our friends.

The first admirer of art who ever sent his friends a Christmas Card was—if a controverted, but generally accepted tradition be true—the late Sir Henry Cole. He projected the idea of greeting his acquaintances by means of a pictorial card bearing seasonable wishes. The result of the notion was that Sir Henry's friend, Mr. Horsley, designed a festive board of diners arranged on a plan which resembles in burlesque the celebrated dinner scene which Millais painted in his Pre-Raphaelite days. Here the people, looking at us out of the picture, hold up their glasses to toast us. This scene is flanked on right and left by two allegorical drawings of almsgiving. Thus the whole design forms a kind of irregular predella, and underneath comes the immortal and immemorial wish—"A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You." Sir Henry Cole, as many know, and as more will learn from his forthcoming "Recollection," wrote frequently under the *pseudonym* of "Felix Summerly." This card, in its original state, bore that it was "published at Summerly's Home Treasury Office, 12, Old Bond-street." It seems to have been printed in outline, and coloured by hand. In execution and workmanship it is as unlike modern Christmas Cards as Peter Parley is unlike Mr. Ruskin. Nevertheless, the folk depicted here have red, healthy cheeks, and there is a simple spontaneity about Horsley's design that still pleases. It was issued in 1846. Some fifteen or sixteen years afterwards Sir Henry Cole republished this design in order to vindicate his claim to the origination of Christmas Cards. Some have said that Prince Albert brought over the idea from Germany. Others have endeavoured to prove that an Englishman was the first to project the things, but that Sir Henry was not that Englishman. Some time ago there was a protracted newspaper debate on the subject. Sir Henry Cole was scarcely defeated then; we must wait and see whether Mr. Alen Cole, his son, editor of his father's forthcoming memoirs, will completely vindicate his parent's claim.

The question as to who was the first producer of Christmas Cards on any considerable scale is, seemingly, a moot point also. Messrs. Goodall and Co. were very early in the field. Mr. Robert Canton, however, of Jewin-street, claims to have been in the same field at least as early as the firm already mentioned. Mr. Canton has this advantage over Messrs. Goodall, that from the first he and his workmen executed all the cards they produced; while Messrs. Goodall, being wholesale stationers chiefly; entrusted the execution to other colour-printers, contenting themselves with being the publishers. Soon other rivals sprang up to divide profit over the new industry. The well-known firm of Marcus Ward and Co., to whom part of Messrs. Goodall's work was for a time entrusted, early entered in competition for success on its own behalf. Doubtless, considering the enormous amount of Cards they produce from year to year, and the high average of workmanship maintained over the bulk, Messrs. Ward may be reckoned *par excellence* the Christmas Card manufacturers. To this branch of the stationery trade they appear to devote more extended attention than even such high-class firms as Messrs. De la Rue and Co., though no publishers excel this last-named firm in the highest style of Christmas Card colour-printing.

The early Cards were very conventional affairs, of course—cock robins in the snow, yule logs, plum puddings, *et hoc genus*. Many of them were not even designed originally for their ultimate object at all, but were simply transmogrifications of old valentines, some even continuing to wear a border of paper lace. The first cards were sold at prices ranging from one penny to eight pence. The kind of design produced at four-pence can now be excelled, as regards size and quality of artistic workmanship, at a halfpenny. Now-a-days, as all know, plenty of clever young artists are glad to compete in designing for the Christmas Card-makers. Even artists of high repute are willing to try their hand at this kind of design. The most notable experiment in card designing, however, carried an important lesson with it. An enterprising publisher a year ago produced a set of cards designed by Academicians. None were striking; most were ill-conceived; and one—Mr. Poynter's—was a miracle of unfortunate taste. The truth is, that it is doubtful whether Raphael, or Michael Angelo, or an angel from heaven, could prepare such things without some apprenticeship. The design of a Christmas Card must have a directness which tells a plain story to the big, plain public. It must, further, be such as tells a seasonable story; and it must duly make allowance for the shortcomings and the possibilities and tricks of colour printing. Thus it comes about that few designs, even from good artists, are accepted for ordinary reproduction by publishers, except on the understanding that they may be "edited." Skilled hands touch them up—here eliminate an unnecessary colour, there strengthen an outline, or again add a tone by providing for the use of "half-tints," "quarter-tints," and other lithographic mysteries. Without such editing, many excellent drawings would cost twice as much to produce, and yet not tell so well after passing through the stones. Plenty of ladies of title work for the publisher of Christmas Cards—Baronesses, Duchesses, and even Princesses—and it is said that all of them look sharply enough after their gains. Almost invariably, however, there is much to alter in women's drawings.

Designs, to meet acceptance readily, should be sent to publishers in sets of four or six, as, for trade reasons, they usually publish their goods assorted in these numbers. Once accepted and edited, the designs are then passed to the lithographers, who proceed to outline them on the stone, and then scheme out the colours. Each colour, of course, needs a separate stone, unless it can be formed as a compound from two other colours used in the design. A cheap Card may require eight stones—that is to say, eight different processes of printing. Many of the high-class Cards now sold require eighteen stones, and a few go considerably beyond this. In order to reduce the cost of production as much as possible, the colour-printers print many designs from the same set of stones. Thus one stone may contain the first impression of as many as from eighteen to sixty cards, all printed at once. Sixty is the practical limit in England; but Germany goes further. The two communion numbers thus printed in England together are thirty-two and forty-eight. Seeing that good drawing now commands a high price, and that so much labour is required to translate an artist's work into lithographic printing, one may easily suppose that a good Christmas Card costs its publisher a considerable sum to bring before the public. All colour printing being to some degree problematical in its results, the publisher does not ultimately determine the price of a card by Mr. Ruskin's political economy standard—namely, the amount of labour spent on it. The resultant effect may be easily obtained, or obtained with difficulty; but the final effect is the sole guide to the appraisement. To give a notion of what may be the average cost of a Christmas Card to the producer, it may be mentioned that a set of four good three-penny cards will cost the publisher from one hundred and fifty pounds to three hundred pounds.

Cost of production being so great, and public taste in such matters being so uncertain, it may be wondered that so many new competitors have lately entered the market. These new competitors, who have every title to respect for their enterprise, are principally German houses. The reasons of the recent increase of competition are principally twofold. In the first place, retailers of these cards were enjoying such a large profit on them that the public used to pay four times more than they cost to produce. The retailers being thus such good prey, of course many colour-printers made up their minds to try what they could get out of them. In the second place, Germany was a home of colour printing long before our country took it up vigorously. Consequently, at the present day, such printing in its more ordinary forms can be done more cheaply there than here. The result of recent commercial changes with regard to the trade has been that the public now pays for its goods three times, instead of four times, the cost of production. Thus competition is again found to be the friend of the customer. At the same time, this competition has been going too far in the direction of forced reduction of terms offered by wholesale producers to retail dealers. The Christmas Card trade is not so good as it used to be for any class of vendors, and the complaints last year on this subject were everywhere to be heard. Nevertheless, the various English manufacturers expend a capital of about a million sterling every year, and thus the British public may be computed to pay three millions per annum for Christmas Cards. The sum seems large, yet do we not spend every Christmas-day no less than 800,000*l.* on good cheer in the shape of liquor?

The cards we buy in December are prepared fully a year beforehand. In May the commercial travellers are busy spreading their sample books before the stationers. By the end of August these tradesmen have completed their plans for the Christmas season. These early arrangements are necessary, not only for the stationers' convenience, but to enable the publishers to print the amount of cards ordered by the trade. Colour-printing is a comparatively tedious process. Manufacturers often see their pet designs declined by the trade and inferior cards curiously favoured. We remember to have once ventured on a remonstrance with a cloth manufacturer on the ugliness of certain patterns. "You forget," said he, "that we have to design for people of bad taste, as well as for people of good taste." The colour-printer and the stationer cannot forget that their public, *en masse*, is rather rude in its tastes. When it gets anything at once simple and genuinely pretty, however, it accords a very hearty welcome to it. We have known a set of simple floral cards of which half a million sets were sold in one season. These cards have now been before the public in slightly modified forms for four or five years; and during that period the total number of sets sold has exceeded six millions. Successes like these naturally tempt capitalists to spend much energy and money on these little bits of pasteboard we exchange in friendly greeting. Messrs. Marcus Ward, for instance, have as many as two hundred and fifty "hands" at work all the year round on their cards. It must not be supposed that the Christmas Card, like the plum-pudding, sees but one season of festivity. As the horse descends in its career from the turf to the knacker's shed, or the West-end tailor's garments end in the Hounds-ditch, the Christmas Card has its exits and its entrances. Originally produced as the work of a good artist, and carefully lithographed, it may fetch two shillings. Special editions of it, with fringes and the like, will make it more costly. Next season its borders are curtailed, and it will appear at sixpence. Next year, again, the stones will be manipulated so as to alter the backgrounds and one or two accessories; then the thing appears at twopence. And last of all, *sans* fringe, *sans* border, *sans* everything but its inner core, it will sell by tens of thousands at a half-penny. Even then it has not finished its career. The border stripped from it may be used over again with another design; while the original design may yet drag out existence as a reward card a decoration on a *menu*. The verses used on these cards are, of course, equally available for repeated use.

It might be thought that the folks at the General Post Office would abhor the very name of Christmas Cards; but apparently that is very far from being the case. For some years a very kindly custom has been in vogue among officials of that immense Department. The practice probably had its origin in the fact that when despatching a mail bag destined to reach some distant part of the world late in December, the officer in charge bethought himself of slipping in his calling card, penciling on it a word of seasonable greeting. In whatever manner the practice began, it is now a fact that the General Post Office unofficially sends to all the chief postal stations of the world a handsome Christmas Card. In response, it receives hundreds of reply-cards every season. These come from Beyrout, Trebizond, Rome, Adelaide, Bombay and places very much more out of the world. A poet at Hong-Kong specially distinguishes himself with a "Post Office Sonnet," which is quite excellent and interesting in point of them and workmanship. When Fiji first received the London card it grew quite raptrous and sent back a long and eloquent letter of thanks together with the postmaster's photograph. Next year it outdid itself by forwarding a water-colour drawing of Fijian scenery. Several other postal stations have sent water-colour or pen-and-ink drawings of varying degrees of originality. The London officials, however, take care to maintain their superiority in the matter of Art. Each year their courteous card of greeting has been a work of beauty; and this season, as in several former seasons, the design has come from the experienced and graceful hand of Mr. Thomas Crane, and is a clever adaptation from the well-known Mulready envelope.—*Standard.*

ORDERS BY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Adjutant General's Office, Simla, Dec. 6.

The C.-in-C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments:—

19th B. L.—Lieut. G. H. Weller, Leinster Regt., a candidate for the Beni. S. C., to be officiating squadron officer on probation. Dated 24th Nov.

25th N. I.—Lieut. J. B. W. Atkin, Loyal N. Lancashire Regt., a candidate for the Beni. S. C., to be officiating wing officer on probation. Dated 4th Nov.

30th N. I.—Lieut. C. R. A. Bond, Cheshire Regt., a candidate for the Ben. S. C., to be officiating wing officer on probation. Dated 16th Nov.

Capt. H. C. C. Walker, 2-1 Scottish Division, R. A. is directed to proceed to England to join the Staff College, Sandhurst, on the 1st Feb. 1884.

Staff Paymaster (Hony. Major) E. H. O'Dowd, Army Pay Dept., is directed to proceed to England during the present trooping season.

H. E. the C.-in-C. is pleased to sanction the formation of the following committee of paymastership in the 8th Hussars, consequent on Paymaster (Hony. Major) E. E. Coote having been directed to proceed to England:—Major E. E. Lushington, President, Lieut. C. E. Duff, and Lieut. E. A. Oldham, Members.

The Rt. Hon. the Secy. of State for War has been pleased to sanction an exchange of places on the Indian roster of service between the undermentioned officers of the Army Pay Dept.:—Hony. Capt. M. Fenton, Paymaster 1st Bn. S. Lancashire Regt. Hony. Capt. A. Brett, Paymaster 1st Bn. Durham L. I. Hony. Capt. A. Brett is directed to proceed to England during the present trooping season.

Under instructions from Horse Guards, Lieut. E. T. Stanley, 2nd Bn. Devonshire Regt. is directed to proceed to England and report himself to the senior ordnance store officer Northern Dist. for duty as Dy. Asst. Comy. Gen. on probation.

Lieut. W. F. Nash, 1st Bn. Border Regt. is under instructions from the Horse Guards, directed to proceed to England, during the present trooping season, for duty at the depot.

To eundermentioned officers are granted leave to England, with the necessary subsidiary leave:—2nd Bn Royal Fusiliers.—Lieut. F. A. Wilkinson, for fifteen months, on private affairs; 2nd Bn. Dorsetshire Regt.—Capt. A. W. Dury, for twelve months, on medical certificate.

PUNJAUB GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(Punjab Government Gazette.)

Mr. A. Watson, Offg Extra Assist Commr, from Karnal to Rohtak Dist, which he joined on 21st Nov

Mr. M Macauliffe, Depy Commr, transferred from Rawalpindi to Guzrat Dist, which he joined on 16th Nov relieving Mr. G L Smith, Offg Depy Commr, transferred.

Mr. M W Fenton, Assist Commr, is posted to the Lauore Dist, from 24th Nov

Capt C F Massy, Assist Commr, is reappointed to officiate as Judl Assist, Juliundur.

Mr R Clarke, Assist Commr, is posted to the Kehat Dist, from 29th Nov.

Mr. H Sc G Tucker, Offg Depy Commr Kohat, has obtained privilege leave of absence for 2 months and 26 days from 3rd Dec.

Mr R Clarke, Assist Commr, Kohat, is appointed to officiate as Depy Commr of that dist, during the absence on leave of Mr. H Sc G Tucker.

The following officiating appointments are made with the sanction of the Govt of India:—Lieut-Col (Bt Col R B P P Campbell, 2nd in command to officiate as Commdt, vice Col F H Jenkins CB, Aide-de-Camp, on furlough. Lieut-Col (Bt Col) G Stewart, Commdt of Cavy, no officiate as 2nd-in-Command, vice Col R B P P Campbell; Maj R C Hutchinson Sudn Comundr to officiate as Comm vice Maj R C Hutchinson; Capt F D Battye Adjt, to officiate as Wing Commdr, vice Maj A G Hammond, V C; Lieut R B Adams, Wing Officer to officiate as Adjt, vice Capt F D Battye

Mr H C Granville, Assist Engr, 1st Grade, is appointed to officiate as Exec Engr of the Juliundur Provincial Div during the absence on 3 months' privilege leave of Mr Harington, Exec Engr. Mr M Taylor, Assist Engr, 3rd Grade, having completed a year's service in his present grade, is prpio moted to Assist Engr, 2nd Grade, from th Nov

MADRAS GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(Fort St. George Gazette, Dec. 11.)

Mr. F. A. Nicholson, Acting Sub. Coll., Coimbattore, privilege leave for one month and eighteen days, from 4th Jan.

Mr. C. J. Weir, of the Cov. S., has been granted an extension of leave, on medical certificate, for three months, by the Rt. Hon. the Secy. of State.

The Hon. E. F. Webster to officiate as Chief Secy. to Govt. until further orders, with effect from 10th Dec.

Mr. C. F. MacCartie to act as Principal Asst. to the Collr., Dis. Magte, and Agent to the Governor Fort St. George in Vizagapatam during the employment of Mr. Johnson on other duty.

Mr. H. T. Knox to be As. to the Coll. and Dis. Magte. of Coimbatore, and to act as Sub-Collr. and Joint Magte of Coimbatore, during the absence of Mr. Nicholson on leave.

The Rev. J. D. Morrison, Acting Scotch chaplain, Bangalore, to do duty also at the Bangalore camp of exercise.

The following transfers are ordered, as a temporary measure, with the approval of the Gov. of India:—

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Lieut Col E G Holloway, S C Wing Comr 16th Regt N I is granted leave (m c) to sea for three months.

The following promotion is made, subject to H M.'s approval.—Mad S C.—Major T R Tabuteau having completed twenty-six years' service, to be Lieut-Col Dated 11th Dec.

The undermentioned Officer has been permitted by the Secy of State for India to return to duty:—Col W Osborn, St C.

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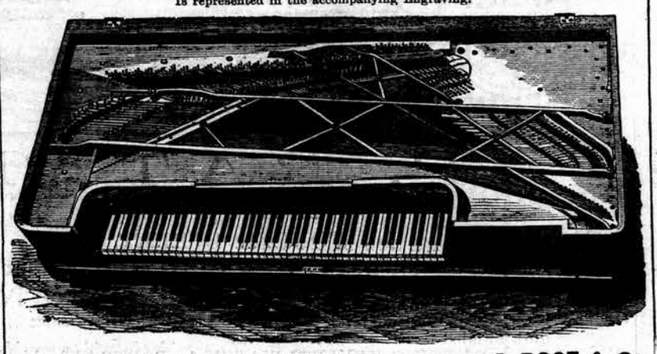

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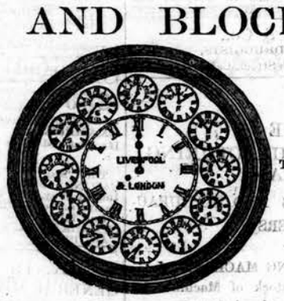

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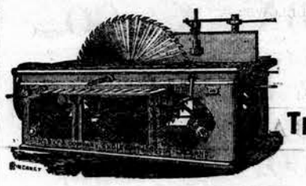

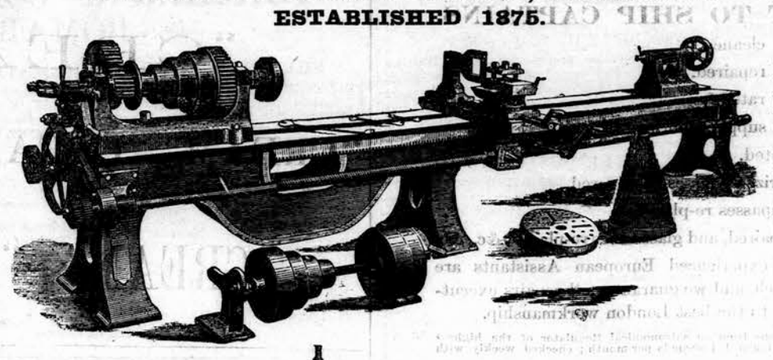

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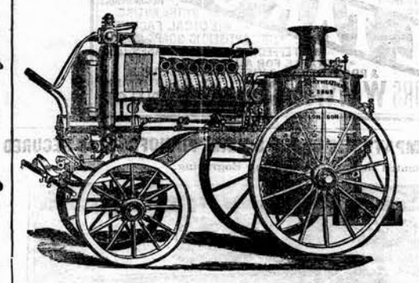

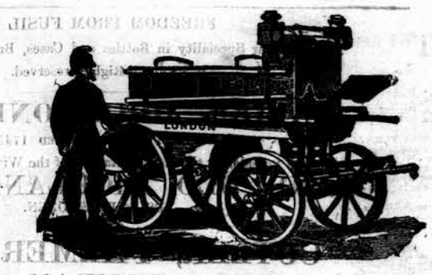

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